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TO
PRINCE *CHARLES*
His moſt Excellent Highneſs.

Moſt Gracious Prince,

IT is now, a Year, almoſt ſince I preſumed to preſent unto your Highneſs this ſmall Book, my poor *Mite* of *Devotion*, which your Siſter, that moſt virtuous Princeſs Palatine of the *Rhine*, challenged for her own, long before the Tranſlation of her into that Climate; Hereupon finding your Gracious Entertainment of it, and being minded further to ſatisfy the Deſires of God's People, whom I have found for Devotions-ſake, to take it all in good part; I have lately revived this weak *Building*; and beſides ſome Reformations, I have inſerted Additions of ſix ſmall Prayers, which I thought to be neceſſary for all good Chriſtians, and knew to be deſired by divers. When it is at the beſt, it is no Preſent worthy ſo Noble a Prince; yet becauſe many labours (though meanly qualified) have gained unexpected Credit, after they had once obtained Honourable Patrons; I do now again offer it into your Royal Hands, in all

Humility, desiring the continuance of your Gracious Favor towards it, and then it shall continue as well to Praise God for all your happy Deliverances, as to Pray unto him earnestly for the multiplying of his Graces upon you, to the rejoycing of His Majesty our Sovereign, and His well-beloved *Queen*, your Royal Parents, besides the good of the Realm and Dominions; evermore crying out with the sweet Singer of *Israel*, *Give the King thy Judgments, O God! and thy Righteousness unto the King's Son.* Amen, and Amen.

From the Rectory of St. Mildred *in the* Poultrey, Lond. Feb. 1617.

Your Graces, in all Submission,

Tho. Sorocold.

A Preface to all Devout People;

Shewing,

1. *The neceſsity of Supplications and Prayer.*
2. *Why this Book is Entituled,* Supplications of Saints.

PAUL, the Bleſſed Apoſtle, and Saint of God, was ſo well acquainted with the Practices and Devices of Satan, as appears in 2 *Cor.* 2. 2. that he taketh great care (by writing and otherwiſe) leſt that common Enemy ſhould get any advantage of them: And this may be a juſt cauſe, why, amongſt other Precepts, he chargeth the *Coloſſians*, in *chap.* 4. *ver.* 2. *That they continue in Prayer, and Watch in the ſame with Thankſgiving.* That is, not to wax Faint and Slack therein. For ſuch as have Learned of the Lord Jeſus, ſaith St. *Auſtine*, true Humility and Meekneſs of Heart, *Receive more Profit by Meditation and Prayer, than in Reading and Hearing*; whereby ye may be ſure the Religious Father meant not to traduce either the Preaching of the Word, or the Reading of any thing that may make a Man wiſe unto Salvation, but enforc'd a more reverend Reſpect, and more frequent Uſe of this Godly Exerciſe: That as Men are commanded to be *Doers of the Word*, ſo they ſhould be *Seekers of Grace* to do it by, and not *Hearers* only; *For ſo* (ſaith the

Apostle) *they should deceive themselves.* For, when *Paul* had planted, and *Apollo* watered; when one hath read a learned Treatise, and another hath heard a fruitful Sermon, they must refer the rest to him that giveth the increase; and, to whom will he give it? To him that seeketh, unto him that knocketh, to him that asketh humbly and devoutly in his Prayer. Follow then his Counsel, which saith, Put up your Prayers to him, that he may send down his Grace to you. Again, Beloved all is not Peace, if we consider of what *Church* we are, while we be in this World. St. *Paul* tells us, that we are in a *warfare*, and that *Prayer* is a principal piece of our *armour*; therefore his counsel is, *Pray always, and watch thereunto.* For, we cannot (as *Abishai* said to *David*, concerning his blow) make so sure a work at one *Prayer time*, that we should not need to come again with our second, but rather so many are our Sins, as the Hairs of our Head; so many our Enemies, as the Stars in the Sky; and so Fierce and Strong the Tempter, as a roaring Lion: That as the Man of God was Angry with the King of *Israel*, (because when he bade him smite the Earth with his Dart, he smote only thrice) who should have smitten Five or Six times, that he might have been Assured of the Overthrow of his Enemies. So God, that bids us continue in Prayer, will be angry with us,

us, if we Pray not again and again; as the importunate Widow in the Gospel prosecuted by her Suit: Yea, to speak of Devotion, as he doth of Brotherly Remission, if we Pray not seven times, yea, seventy times seven times, that we may obtain a Blessing. To this purpose, Christian Brethren, I have been perswaded to Publish to your View, and charitable Interpretation, this handful of Flowers, Picked, Sorted, and Tyed up in a Bundle, according to my slender Ability, both of Judgment and Invention. I have presumed also to Entitle them, *Supplications of Saints*, induced thereunto by three Reasons. First, because they are squared to the Practice of three Holy Prophets, and the blessed Apostle St. *Paul*. Secondly, Three of these Prayers, which are indeed *Prestantiores*, far more Eminent and Excellent than all the rest, proceeding from Humane Conceit, and were penn'd and used by the late Noble Queen *Elizabeth*, of famous and happy Memory, and may justly claim the Denomination, as the remains of her Devotion, who living a Religious and Peerless Princess, was accounted, as the *Wise Man* speaks, among the *Children of God*, *Saints by Calling*. And now being taken from us; hath Her *Portion amongst the Saints in Heaven*. The third Reason is, because I hope they may be sometimes the Ex-

ercise of your selves, who being called to the participation of Jesus Christ, embracing the Gospel of God, and having received the Sacrament of Life, have also your parts in the Communion of Saints. I have not held such a course as happily other Collectors of the like Devotion have done, and yet I hope you will not condemn me, but upon good Deliberation. I confess, they are not mingled with Discourse, for God desireth not to take Admonition or Information from our Reports. Neither are they interlarded with Meditation: For the places of Scripture, which I have prefixed before every one, they will minister matter of that Devotion: Neither have I made any of them very long, to draw them into a thousand Periods, as *Chrysostom* saith, as if it were a goodly Work to multiply much Speech before God; but I have made them somewhat brief, aiming at the Rule which our Lord and Saviour prescribed, saying, *After this manner Pray ye*; That is, saith *Chrysostom* again, *He appointed the Disciples to gather the petition of their Prayers into a short Sum.* Wherefore if ye find them worthy the name of Prayers, so use them; if otherwise, yet take them as mean, I do not say main, Grounds and poor Helps, to do Service here and there, in your deeper Meditations, when your Devotion arises to do the daily Sacrifice, with this Liber-

Liberty; but where I have been defective, I refer it to the Judicious to supply; and where I have offered any thing vain or offensive, I am content to admit a Godly Corrector. I speak to them that have Understanding, judge you what I say; and I shall pray unto the Holy One of *Israel* in Heaven, that your Inspiration may be Heavenly, your Desires Holy, and your Prayers here Fervent and Frequent, and there Acceptable before the Throne of his Majesty, for the relief of your Necessities, and for the setting forth of his Glory in Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Yours in the Lord,

T. S.

THE most absolute Prayer, and best Rule of all holy Petitions, is that which our Lord and Saviour taught his Disciples; a Prayer large for Matter, short for Phrase, and sweet for Order; which having paraphrased thus, as you see, I thought it not so good to insert it into this Bundle, as to place it here alone before them all, as a *Supplication* not appropriate to any one Part, but appertaining or giving Life to all, and fit to conclude every one.

Exod. 5. 14. *Yesterday, and to Day, as heretofore.*

A PARAPHRASE *upon the* LORD'S PRAYER.

OUR FATHER. { By Right of Creation, / Merit of Mercy, / Gracious Provision.

Which art in Heaven, { The Seat of thy Majesty, / The Inheritance of thy Children. / The Kingdom of Bliss.

Hallowed be thy Name. { By the Thought of our Hearts, / By the Words of our Mouth, / By the Works of our Hands.

Thy Kingdom come. { Of Grace to Inspire us; / Of Power to Defend us; / Of Glory to Crown us;

Thy Will be done, { In Weal and Woe, / In Fulness and Want, / In Life and Death.

In Earth as it is in Heaven. { In us as it is in thine Angels, / Willingly, Readily, Faithfully, / Without Murmur, Lett, Deceit.

Give us this Day our daily Bread. { For the Nourishing of our Bodies. / For the Feeding of our Souls / The Relief of all Necessities

And

And forgive us our Debts	Whereby thou'rt Dishonour'd Our Neighbour Wrong'd, or Our selves Endangered.
As we forgive our Debtors.	That has hurt us in our Bodys Hindred us in our Goods, Wrong'd us in our good Name
And lead us not into Temptation.	Of the wicked World, The enticing Flesh, or The envious Devil.
But deliver us from Evil :	Forgive what is past. Remove what is present. Prevent what is to come.
For thine is the Kingdom, Power, and Glory.	To Rule and Govern all To Command and Do all. In all, & by all, all in all.
Now and for Ever.	At this present. In this World. In the World to come.
AMEN.	As thou Sayest, so it is. As thou Promisest, so it shall be. As we Pray, so be it, Lord.

PRAY-

PRAYERS

Beginning with the

LETTERS of the NAME *ELIZABETH.*

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EVery Day, O Almighty God, and Heavenly Father, will I Pray unto thee to have Mercy upon me, and to keep me in thy Grace, Favour, and Love. Every Day will I give Thanks unto thee for thy gracious Redemption of my Body and Soul from Sin, Death, and Hell. Every Day will I Laud thy holy Name, O Holy Ghost, God's Spirit, Hearts Joy, Elects Comforter, beseeching the Blessed Trinity, in Sacred Unity, to repleniſh my Heart with all charitable Desires, and Heavenly Inspirations, necessary to Salvation. Amen.

L

LAY to thy helping Hand, O Lord, strengthen the weak Condition of my Faith, and pour thine Oyl of Grace into my wounded Heart, that I may be able to walk in the ways of thy Commandments without Reproof, and receive Com-

forts

forts at all Needs and Neceſſities. Amen

I

IT is Pity and Compaſſion, O Lord, alone which muſt cover mine Unworthineſs; therefore, renouncing all Merit in my ſelf, I fly unto thee for Succour: Leave me not, O Lord, but preſerve me with thy goodneſs now and evermore. Amen.

Z

ZEalous (O Lord) I am of thy Truth; wherefore I pray thee Sanctifie my Heart to a right Converſation in this World. Direct me by thy Laws, that I never ſtep beyond the Limits of my Duty; and ſuffer me not to enter into any action which either may diſhonour thee, or bring my Life into Infamy. Amen.

A.

ADmit me (O merciful Lord) to thy gracious Favour: Many are the Dangers of this Life; and I have no Patron to defend me but thee. Heaven is thine, and the Earth is thine; keep me on Earth as one of thine, and bring me to Heaven to reign with thee. Amen.

B

BLeſſed Lord, I have Sinned, but my Pardon is with thee. If I were as ſinful as Mary Magdalen, *as outragious as the Prodigal Son, and as baſhful to*

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come near as the Publican, *yet Jesus hath made Satisfaction for my Sins; therefore in Mercy forgive me now and evermore.* Amen.

E

ENter not into Judgment with a poor Creature (O Lord) Dust and Ashes is my State here; only I am Created after thine own Image, for a better World: Destroy not then the Work of thine own Hands, but shew thy Mercy and Goodness unto me this day and evermore. Amen.

T

THink upon me, O Lord, thy Word never Faileth, and thy Compassions have no End; by the Vertue of the one, and the Substance of the other, purifie me from all Iniquity, and lead me into all Truth, this day and evermore. Amen.

H

HAve Mercy upon me, O Lord, accept my Prayers which I pour out before thee, and grant my Requests. Mercifully prosper the things that I take in Hand; save me from mine Enemies; a blessed Life and happy End, good Lord, send me. Amen.

SUP-

Supplications
OF
SAINTS.

The First Part.

DANIEL's DEVOTION.

Dan. 6. 10.

He kneeled upon his Knees three times a Day, and Prayed, and gave Thanks before his God.

Aug. in Psal.

In the Evening of things past, in the Morning of things to come; at Noon of Eternal.

This Part containeth private Prayers for Morning, Noon, and Evening, every Day in the Week.

Also four other Prayers for Morning and Evening only.

Also two Prayers, or Meditations upon the Passion of our Blessed Saviour.

SUNDAY. Morning Prayer.

Pſal. 145. 10. *All my works Praiſe thee O Lord, and thy Saints ſhall bleſs the.*
Pſal. 119. 170. *O let my Supplications come before thee; deliver me according to thy Word.*

O Lord God Almighty, and everliving Father, and thou well-beloved Son of the Father, Jeſus Chriſt, with the Holy Ghoſt, Holy, Bleſſed, and Glorious Trinity, Eternal God, Lord of the Sabbath, and Fountain of all Wiſdom, I do not preſent theſe my Supplications before thee upon my own Righteouſneſs, but in thy great mercies: I truſt in them truly, I truſt in them only, without any other Plea, I truſt in them always without wearineſs: and therefore, I beſeech thee grant me merciful audiences. Mercifully hear me, O Lord, mercifully hear me, O Lord God. Firſt I extol thy infinite Goodneſs and Mercy, together with thine Eternal Wiſdom and Truth, that thou haſt protected me all this night paſt, and made me to reſt and ſleep ſo quietly and ſecurely under the ſhadow of thy Wings. And I beſeech thee, from the bottom of my heart, to protect me this day, with thy mighty Hands, from all dangers both of body and ſoul.

Give thy holy Angels charge over me, to

to keep me in all my ways; drive away the evil Angel. and deadly Enemy; and remove from me all offences of this World.

Mortifie and kill in me all carnal lusts, unlawful pleasures, and evil affections, that they may have no dominion over me, or reign in my mortal body; and give me a contrite Heart to bewail my former Life; and let me find comfort in thy mercy, for the remission of my sins.

Sanctifie me (O Holy Trinity) this holy day, with thine especial Grace, that I may Honour thee as a Creator, love thee as a Redeemer, and expect thee as a Saviour; and that I may have modest carriage in my behaviour, true devotion in my Prayers, and reverend attention to hear thy Holy Word; and so unlock the *Ears* of my Understanding, that I may observe, learn, and embrace such things as are necessary for me, to the better Confirmation of my *Faith* in Christ Jesus, and the Salvation of my Soul by his Blood. Raise me, O Father, by the Power of thy Son's Resurrection, from Sin and Iniquity, and give me spiritual Rest, Peace and Joy in the Communion of Saints, that hereafter, when I shall leave this World, I may keep the everlasting Sabbath with thee in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Behold (O Lord) I knock at the Door of thy Mercy for all these Graces with all the Powers of my Strength, Soul, and Mind;

Mind; beseeching thee to continue unto me the Right use of all the Powers and Faculties of the same, and to send thy Holy Spirit to bear witness to my spirit that I am thy Child, and shall be Heir of thy Kingdom with Christ Jesus, our Lord, and through his Merits; for whose sake I beseech the to grant all those things that I have Prayed for, *Amen*,

NOON

A Prayer for the Ministers of the Word.

O Lord Jesus, which hast commanded us to pray for Labourers to thy harvest, we beseech thee send painful Ministers into thy Church: endue them with such Wisdom and Speech, as the adversaries may not be able to gainsay: Open unto them the Door of Doctrine and Utterance, give them the Spirit of Boldness, that they may Faithfully Dispence thy Mysteries, and speak thy Word freely and Boldly; take away all Contentions and Differences from among them; make them Examples to those that Believe, in Soundness of Doctrine, and Pureness of Life: And because the Rule of our Life depends upon thy Word in their Mouths, Bless them with all Graces fit for their Calling, that we may give Thanks unto thee for Them, finding thy Blessing upon us, in and by their holy labours, and Praise thy Name for evermore, *Amen.*

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SUNDAY. Evening Prayer.

Gen. 18. 27. 30. *Behold, I have taken upon me to speak unto my Lord, O let not my Lord be Angry and I will speak.*

O Eternal God, and merciful Father, from the bottom of my Heart, I give thee continual Thanks, that of thy Mercy thou hast Nourished me with thy Goodness, preserved me by thy Power and governed me by thy Word and Holy Spirit this Day, and all this Week past; yea and at all other times of my Life hitherto: And I most humbly Beseech thee in the Merits of Christ Jesus my Saviour, not to respect mine Unworthiness, but in his Grave to cover and Bury all my Misdeeds which I have either wittingly or ignorantly done, and in particular (O Lord) those which in this week past I have committed, in thought, word, or deed, against thy Divine Majesty.

Water, O Lord, with the Dew of thy Grace, the Seed of thy Holy Word, which I have Received this Day, that with sound Judgment and Godly Devotion, I may put in practice such things as I know to be pleasing to thy Divine Majesty; and that my Heart being always obedient to thy Commandements, and the fear of mine Enemies taken away from me, I may pass my time in Peace and Holiness, through thy Gracious Protection.

Be merciful unto us, O Lord, forgive

the Evil that I have Committed, supply the Good which I have Omitted, restore what I have Lost, heal my Sores, cleanse my Filthiness, lighten my Darkness, and alter the whole State of my Mind, Dispositions, and Affections, that nothing may be wanting to good purpose in me.

O Lord, stretch out thy hand over me, and of thy wanted Goodness, defend me, this Night from all Evil; keep me from all fearful and wicked Dreams, unprofitable Cares, vain Cogitations, and outward violence; preserve my Body from eternal Death, and my Soul from everlasting Damnation. Compass me about on every side with thy Grace, inwardly and outwardly, that when I shall either take due care for the things of this Life, or carefully seek for those things which appertain to the Kingdom of Heaven, I may hear the Voice of thy Holy Spirit sounding in my Heart from the Mouth of thy Apostle; *My God shall fulfill all your Necessities through his Riches, with Glory in Jesus Christ.* Grant O Lord, these, and all other Graces meet for me, even for Jesus Christ his sake, my only Lord and Saviour; in whose Name I farther pray unto thee, saying that Prayer which he in his Gospel hath taught us, *Our Father*, &c.

MONDAY. Morning Prayer.

Psal. 66. 2. *Blessed be God, which hath not turned away my Prayer, nor his Mercy from me.*

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O Heavenly Father, and Almighty God who beyond all measure hast unlock'd the treasure of thy favour and blessing unto me from time to time: I must heartily thank thee for the sweet Sleep and comfortable Rest which I have taken this Night, through thy Gracious Preservation of me; and now, O Lord, I Consecrate my Soul and Body to thy Service this Day again, and Ever hereafter, desiring that my Prayer, early now this Morning, may have access unto thee.

O Lord, I Pray thee Bless, Preserve, and Keep me this Day, by thy Power, from Sin, Shame, and all Evil, and so Direct me with thy Grace, that all my Thoughts, Words, and Works, may Please thee. Stand I beseech thee, between me and mine Enemies, Bodily and Ghostly; especially Satan and all his Assaults and Snares that he setteth for me daily. And as thou hast now raised up my Body from a sound and heavy Sleep, so deliver my Soul from the dead sleep of Sin, and the darkness of this World. Help, O Lord, thy Creature, which dependeth upon thy Providence only.

O Lord Jesus, have mercy upon me miserable Sinner, pardon and forgive me all my Sins, Negligencies, and Ignorances. Remember not mine Obstinacies, and have compassion upon mine Infirmities. Set thy holy Passion, Cross, and Death between

tween thy Judgment and my Souls danger, Both now and at the hour of Death.

Of thy Mercy, O Lord, ſtrengthen my Weakneſs, and mortifie my corrupt Nature, enclining to Swear, wantoneſs, Lying, or any Sin whatſoever; and Grant I may ſo walk in thy ways by the Light of thy holy Word, that no worldly Vanity may bewitch me, to fell my Self to work Wickedneſs, but that I may, in a ſpecial manner Strive againſt thoſe Sins that my corrupt Nature is prone unto.

O Holy Father, Grant me a ſound Mind and an upright Heart, and a right uſe of my Senſes continually, that knowing what I do and Practiſing what I know, I may Worthily lament the Wickedneſs of my Life, and ever upon my unfeigned Repentance, feel thy comforts rejoycing my Soul, and never forget the deſire of the Life to come, but diligently fix my heart and affections on Heavenly things. O Lord, bleſs me in all the paſſages of this Pilgrimage; further my buſineſs, that I may truly walk without Sin, and ſafely work without Danger in that *Vocation* whereunto thou haſt called me in this life; and after death, O Lord reſtore my Body and Soul to Life Eternal. Hear my Prayer, O Lord God, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, my only Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

NOON.

A prayer to God the Father.

O Merciful God, and loving Father, on whoſe Providence we depend for all our Neceſſaries, we thank thee for our royal Creation after thine own image, and all other good Graces now and ever beſtowed upon us: Give us Grace, we pray thee, ſo to live as becometh thy Children, in all holineſs and righteouſneſs. Incline our hearts to thy Law, and not to Covetouſneſs. Open the Eyes of our Underſtanding that we may behold the ſecret things of thy Law. Make us fruitful in all good works; forgive us our Sins, and waſh us in the blood of thy Son: Cleanſe our hearts, and renew our minds to thy holy will; proſper the works of our hands, and bring us ſafely from all dangers to the end of this day, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, *Amen.*

MONDAY. Evening Prayer.

Pſal. 55. 17. *Evening and Morning and at Noon will I pray, and cry aloud, and he ſhall hear me.*

ALmighty God, Lord of Heaven and Earth, which giveſt infinite occaſion unto every Creature to praiſe thy holy Name, I who have been partaker not of

the leaſt of thy Mercies, am ready with the holy Prophet, that mine Eyes may prevent the Night-watches; and I repair unto thee now again when the day is paſt, entreating thee to accept this mine Evening Sacrifice of praiſe and thanks for the depth of thy goodneſs, which I am not able to expreſs; and the Sea of thy Mercies, which have overflowed to me in a good and comfortable meaſure this day, to my great comfort. Seaſon, O Lord, my Senſes inward and outward, with the Salt of thy Grace, that with a ſanctified Heart I may make a godly uſe of all thoſe good things which I have heard, ſeen, or read this day in thy ſacred Word: And farther, lighten mine Eyes, that I ſleep not to death, nor walk in ſpiritual darkneſs, ſpiritual or corporal, to endanger either Body or Soul.

Yet, O Lord, I beſeech thee let mine eyes ſleep, and enjoy that moderate recreation and refreſhing which thou haſt appointed for the wearisome condition of my weak body, but let my Soul continually watch unto thee, to attend thy coming, that when my ſleep hath not been unmeaſurable, to pleaſe exceſſively the eaſe of my fleſh, I may thereby be the better diſpoſed to thy Service to morrow, to ſuch Duties as thou haſt or ſhalt call me unto; and in all the ways that I ſhall walk, to ſet forth thy glory in them

Preſerve me, O Lord, from all dangers

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that walk in the Night, and keep me from all the temptations and ſuggeſtions of him that is the Prince of Darkneſs. Forgive me the ſins and offences which I have committed this day, in thought, word, and deed, either againſt thee or my Neighbor. Give me Grace to water my Couch with the Tears of true and Unfeigned Repentance for all my former Sins, and Grant that I may ſo Paſs the Reſidue of my Life, as that in Regard of thy Juſtice I may retain a Holy fear, to ſtand always in awe of thee, and in Regard of thy Mercy, I may conceive ſure Hope never to diſpair or diſtruſt in thee.

O Lord, Keep me this Night both in Body and Soul, that I may with the next light Joyfully Riſe again, be thankful unto thee, and carefully walk in my Vocation and Calling, to the glory of thy *holy Name*, and the commodity of my Neighbor, for *Jeſus Chriſt*'s ſake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen*.

TUESDAY, Morning Prayer.

Pſal. 90. 14. *O ſatisfie us early with thy mercy that we may rejoyce and be glad in thee all our days.*

O Bleſſed Lord God, great in Power, fearful in Judgment, and rich in Mercy; which bindeſt and no man looſeth,

and looseſt, and no man bindeth: I yield thee moſt humble and hearty thanks, for that of thy fartherly goodneſs thou haſt vouchſafed me this nights ſleep in peace and reſt; and again looſing the bonds wherewith I was tyed, haſt given me power to ſee this morning light. Now, O Lord, (I beſeech thee) pour upon me this heavenly dew of thy comfortable Bleſſing, that thro' the operation of thy gracious beams I that am a poor tree, weak and barren in my ſelf, may bud forth, and bear the fruits of true Faith in my life and converſation. Continue this goodneſs and mercy toward me, and by thy power raiſe me from the deepſleep of all unrighteouſneſs: diſcharge me from the works of darkneſs; mortifie and ſubdue them by thy Spirit, that they may not have any dominion over me; and clothe me with the armour of light, that I may walk honeſtly as in the day, and live ſoberly, righteouſly, and godly in this preſent world.

Grant me, O Lord, true underſtanding and Knowledge of thy Word, which is the Glaſs of thy will. Encreaſe in me all godly deſires, together with true contrition of heart, that I may unfeignedly deſpiſe the pleaſures of this World, and with heartie repentance be converted unto thee; Send thy holy Angels to guide me, and keep me in all thy ways, and proſper the work of my hands, that I never fail in my vocation to

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do some good to all men, and eschew, if it be possible, all Evil, and the occasions and appearances thereof.

O Lord, I beseech thee, preserve and keep my heart sound and upright, that I be neither corrupt by prosperity, nor cast down by adversity, nor be too fearful of thy Judgments, or too bold upon thy Mercy. But grant me Grace, O merciful Lord, that I may apprehend all things that come from thee with a religious contente I mind, and in the end of my days, by a lively Faith, may joyfully arrive in the Land of Promise, the Kingdom of Heaven, through the merits of Jesus Christ, my only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

NOON. *A Prayer to God the Son,*

O Blessed Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Eternal God, blessed be thy Name for our Redemption; great was thy Love, sore was thy Passion, Print in our minds, we beseech thee, the continual memory thereof, that we may love thee, which so loveſt us; and ever more praise thee, that hast bought us at so dear a price. Reject not our Prayers which we offer to be presented to thy Father, but mercifully help us, and heal all our infirmities; encreale our Faith, and teach us obedience, forgive our offences, and hide us in and by thy wounds from thy Father's just wrath.

Make

Make good thy Promises unto us for the World to come, and enable us with thy Grace for the performance of all thy Commandments. Prosper, O Lord, our handiwork, and bring us safely to the end of this day, for thy Truth, and for thy Name sake, *Amen.*

TUESDAY. Evening Prayer.

Psal. 146. 5. *Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God.*

O Most holy Father, and my gracious God, which giveſt unto all sorts of men the cheerful light of the day, that by thine assistance, and in thy fear, they may follow their honest vocations, and likewise sendest the silent night, that then they may rest their wearied limbs, busied minds, and so return their due thanks for thy goodness; I sinful Creature do heartily laud and praise thee for the total sum of all thy mercies, whereof I have been this day a partaker.

O Lord, I am vile, look not upon mine unworthiness, folly, and wickedness, but appease thy anger justly conceived against me, and forgive what hath been amiss in me this day, or at any other time, even for his sake who is thy well-beloved Son, and my dear Advocate.

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Root up, O Lord, the thorns of mine inclinations and affections, and in their place make the fruits of vertue to spring; inflame my heart with the desire of heavenly love, that I may keep thy commandments with zeal as hot as fire, loving thee above all things, and my Neighbor as my self.

Give me Grace, O Lord, to serve thee in true faith, fear and holiness, all the days of my life, and to overcome my mortal enemies, the desire of the world, the pleasures of the flesh, and the suggestions of the wicked spirit, remembring my promise made unto thee in Baptism, for the performance whereof, I depend only upon thy Holy Spirit.

O God of Light, let thine Angels pitch their tents round about this house for our defence now in the time of this darkness, and grant that this nights sleep may be quiet unto me, without grief or trouble Preserve me and mine, both in body and soul, from all dangers and offences, which may come either by foolish dreams, noisome spirits, or uncleaness of corrupt nature. Waken me again, O Lord, in due time, and let me behold the light of the next day to my comfort, prepare my heart and mind for thy service every day in all truth and sincerity, that when I have run the race of this life thou mayst be pleased to call me to be partaker of a better, that so I may

ive and reign with thee evermore, through Jesus Christ our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

WENSDAY. Morning Prayer.

Psal. 143. 8. *Cause me to hear thy loving kindness in the morning, for in thee do I trust: shew me the way wherein I should walk, for I lift my soul unto thee,*

O Blessed God, and merciful Father, the never-going-down Sun of the World, which bringeth forth, nourisheſt, refreshest, and reneweſt all things both in Heaven and Earth; I thy poor Creature most humbly thank thee, that thou haſt preserved me in this laſt darkneſs, and every night and day hitherto, under thy protection, suffering me to live untill this present hour; that thou haſt succoured and defended me in all my needs and neceſſities, and haſt provided so graciously and mercifully for me. Now I beseech thee (Lord) do not abridg the hand of thy mercy toward me, but let the spring of thy Grace flowing from the Sanctuary of thy goodneſs, arise to all parts of my Body and Soul, in such proportion as may be for thy Glory and my Comfort.

Mortifie (O my God) all the corrupt affections that are in me; cleanse me from my secret faults, and pardon the innumerable

merable sins which I have committed. Fill me this day with thy Grace, that I may not spend it, but to honour thy Name. Set a watch before the door of my mouth, and order the course of my lips, that I may utter nothing unadvisedly, either before thee or men; keep my senses within their limits; set my heart in a new frame of obedience, and keep it in the same; direct my will in that which is good, and order my judgment for the right accomplishment of those things that appertain to my vocation.

O Lord, defend me from all shame and disgrace of life: shield me from all violence and force of Enemies, and guide me safely through all perilous and dangerous ways Make me as thy Spouse, inwardly and outwardly prepared and adorned by Grace, that I may be presented a pure Virgin unto Christ. Display upon me the banners of thy love, set thine eye upon me for good, and not for evil, that with the eye of Faith I may behold and see the Cross of Christ and his sacred wounds, the comfortable price of my Redemption, and may have such fast footing in this Christian warfare, that nothing make me yield to the temptations of the Devil. O Lord, so strengthen me with thy hand, and Furnish me with thy Grace in this vale of misery, that all the Members of my body may follow the directions of my heart, and my heart being

sincerely knit unto thee, I may wholy serve thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of my life, for Jesus Christ his sake, my only Saviour and Redemer, *Amen.*

NOON. *A Prayer to the Holy Ghost.*

O Holy Spirit, the Author and Giver of Life, which hast guided me thus far this day, and guarded me from manifold evils; I praise thee, I bless thee, I glorifie thee for thy great mercy; continue thy goodness towards me, I beseech thee, though I deserve it not; inspire my mind with holy motions, convert me from evil, confirm me in all that is good.

Comfort me, thou Comforter, when I shall have most need. Clear the storm of Tempration, and inflame the coldness of my Zeal with the fire of thy holy Spirit, and of the love wrought in the people thereby. Lead me into all truth, and reclaim me when I go astray. O prosper the work of my hands, bring me safely from all dangers, to the end of this day, for Jesus Christ's sake, *Amen.*

WENSDAY. Evening Prayer.

Withold not thy tender mercies from me, O Lord, let thy loving kindness, and thy truth alwaies preserve me.

O Lord God, thou who art my love, my life, the length and strength of my days,

days, I most heartily thank thee for keeping me this day from manifold dangers both of Body and Soul, which might justly have fallen upon me. Now I humbly beseech thee bring not into judgment what I have done amiss this day, but mercifully pardon the escapes and offences of my frail nature. Forgive and forget (O Lord) all mine idle and vain words, and impute not my foolishness unto me. Remit unto me all my aberrations and goings astray from thy Law. Destroy in me the kingdom of Sin, the power of Satan, the desires of the world, and vain delights of the flesh:

Lord into thy hands I commend myself even Soul and Body, this night and ever; lighten *my* darkness, that I sleep not in *death*, and defend me, that no evil happen unto me, but that by thy blessing I may rest safely.

Comfort me (Lord) in all those things wherein I have been any way dismaid this day. Take not thy holy Spirit from me, but continue the motions thereof in my heart, and make me careful to use all good means to cherish and stir them up, that when as the Tempter shall come with his assaults, I may be furnished with the shield of Faith, to quench his fiery darts.

Strengthen my weakness, and grant that this nights sleep may be sweet and healthful

healthful to my Body, and a profitable memorial of that ſleep which at my laſt end in that great night ſhall make a ſeperation between my body and ſoul.

Let always thine unſpeakable mercy preſerve me, thy endleſs ſweetneſs rejoice me, thy heavenly truth ſtrengthen me, thy knowledge embolden me, and thy goodneſs keep me now and for evermore from mine enemies viſible and inviſible, that I may awake in the morning in perfect ſence and good health, and for the ſame be thankful unto thee, and carefully betake me to my vocation and calling, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake my only Saviour, *Amen.*

THURSDAY. Morning Prayer.

Pſal 145. 18. *The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth.*

O Lord God, which art the light which no man can attain unto, and yet lightneſt every one that cometh into the world, mercifully driving away the darkneſs of the night, and ſhadow of death. I praiſe thy holy Name, and thank thee moſt humbly, that thou haſt vouchſafed me the favour, to paſs this night in ſuch comfortable reſt, and to be brought again ſafe and ſound unto the morning light.

light. Now (I beseech thee) by the Mystery of the Holy Incarnation, and the blessed Nativity of thy Son Jesus Christ (the thrice hapy Day-star that appeared to the World) let thy mercy this day arise upon me, and let thy bright beams of thy light shine into my heart, that I be not transported either through the corruption of nature or power of darkness, to spend this day after mine own mind and pleasure, but that I may carefully follow the Heavenly Light of thy word, to perform thy blessed will.

Encrease in me (O Lord) the gift of Faith and Hope, that I may believe in thee, and thy promises made in Christ, and diligently labour to find in my Soul those Graces to which thou hast annexed thy promises; and grant, neither by mine own negligence, nor the infirmity of the Flesh, nor the grievousness of Temptations, I be driven away from a sure confidence of a gracious acceptance with thee in the merit of his Sacred Blood. Disperse the thick mists and clouds of my sinful life, which blemishes my Soul, and darken my Understanding, and wash away all such Polutions in the blood of his Passion, that I may be acknowledged for one of thine, when I come unto thee in my need. Give me a will to work duly and truly in my Vocation this day without idleness, and order my skil with the

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Rule of thy Wiſdom, that I be not unfruitful. Bleſs my Body and Soul, that none evil or harm come unto them; and keep my Memory and Senſes, that they paſs not the limits of that Underſtanding and Reaſon wherewith thou haſt endued me.

O Lord, lighten my Mind to look upon good things only, enflame my Heart with a Love of them: Conduct me by thy Grace to attain them; that, as thou haſt now awaked my Body from Sleep, ſo my Soul may daily be raiſed from the ſlumber of Sin, and darkneſs of the World; and they both being Companions and Fellows in the ways of Godlineſs, may be partakers of everlaſting Life at the latter Day; through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

NOON. *A Prayer for Sobriety.*

O Lord God, which haſt commanded us to be Sober, direct my Paths in the right way of Sobriety, ſpiritual and corporal; ſuffer me not this Day, nor any other, to abuſe thy good Creatures, or turn thy Grace into Wantonneſs; let me not be overcome with Surfeiting and Drunkenneſs, but avoid all Superfluity, uſing all Temperance and Moderation both in Meats and Drinks. Grant me a ſtaid Mind, a grave and ſo-

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ber Diſpoſition, and an humble and lowly Conceit of my ſelf; bleſs me, that I may be Wiſe, but to Sobriety; that I may live Soberly, Righteouſly, and Godly, in this preſent World, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, *Amen.*

THURSDAY. Evening Prayer.

Pſal. 145. 9. *The Lord is good to all, and his tender Mercies are over all his Works.*

O Lord God, my moſt loving and merciful Father, great in Mercy, and conſtant in Truth; I do acknowledge my bounden Duty of Thankfulneſs unto thee, for thy manifold Graces and Benefits imparted unto me this Day. Tho' I be unable to Recount them, and far more unworthy to be Partaker of them; nevertheleſs, in full Aſſurance and Confidence of thy Love to me in Chriſt Jeſus, I preſume to come unto thee, and now, again, commit into thy Hands this Night, my Soul and Body, and all my Senſes, my Thoughts, Affections, Words, and Deeds; all within me, and all without me, my Faith, and my Continuance in the ſame; beſeeching thee of thy Mercy, to keep me and them Day and Night, Blameleſs and Undefiled, againſt the Day of thy coming.

Lord,

Lord, pardon, I pray thee, and forgive me all the Sins which this day I have either wretchedly Affected, or wickedly Imagined against thine Honour, and the good of my Neighbour: Lay not the Faults and Frailties of my younger Years unto my charge; O Lord forget them, O Lord forgive them: And for the better Confirmation of thy gracious Pardon, I humbly intreat thee, O Lord, to annex unto thy Grant, the power of thy Grace to attend upon me, that I may not do mine own Will, but Thine, in eschewing Evil, and doing Good. Strike my Heart, Lord, with thy Fear, that in fearing thee, I may Labour to escape those things which thou threatenest; and give me the comfort of thy Salvation, that in loving thee, I may be thought worthy to obtain those things which thou hast promised. Be favourable unto me, O Lord, that I may, this Night, quietly take my Rest under the shadow of thy Wings, void of all Fear, spiritual Darkness, Danger, and Despair; and when the dark end of this mortal Life (like the shutting in of this Day) shall come, grant me, O Lord, a watchful Heart, willingly disposed, and throughly enabled, with thy Grace, to abandon these transitory Nights and Days, and depart hence, in the peace of a good Conscience, into thine everlasting Rest, through Jesus Christ our only

only Saviour and Redeemer, in whose Name I farther pray unto thee, saying that Form of Prayer that he hath taught us, *Our Father*, &c.

FRIDAY. Morning Prayer.

Psal. 73. 25. *Whom have I in Heaven but thee? and there is none upon Earth that I desire besides thee.*

O Almighty Lord, my mighty Greator and my God, I thine unworthy Servant give thee most humble and hearty Thanks, for thy gracious Protection and Preservation of me in Health, Wealth, and Safety this Night past, and all other times. And now, I beseech thee, so direct me by thy Holy Spirit; that I may this day Live and Walk according to thy good Will and Pleasure, in all Harmless Manner, to the Profit and Good of my Neighbours, and in all Holiness, and Righteousness, for thy Glory.

Lighten my Mind, O Lord, by the true understanding of thy Holy Word, that, without all Vanity or Curiosity, I may know what is that good, perfect, and acceptable Will, and may also unfeignedly express what I know, in my Life and Conversation.

O Lord, I confess and acknowledge all the Sins which I have committed a-

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gainſt thy Law; but, on bended Knees, I beſeech thee, enter not into Judgment with thy Servant for them, but wipe them away in thy Son's Blood. Bleſs my Judgment, and all my Senſes, that no ſudden Motion make me conceive my grief ſo far, as to forfeit my reaſonable Underſtanding; neither that I be ſo blinded in Underſtanding, as to miſconceive any part of thy Truth, or maintain or hold any erronious Fancy. Send, O Lord, thy bleſſing upon all my Labours and Travels in this World, that I may have wherewithal to relieve my neceſſities upon all Occaſions. Endue me with thy Fears, give me an humble Mind, godly Sorrow, and a good Conſcience, that I may carry an honeſt and upright Meaning, to deal juſtly and truly with all Men.

O Lord, temper and order all things unto me in ſuch a peaceable Courſe, that I may never be farther Tempted than thou wilt make me able to bear; and ſo work for me, O my God, as may be moſt to thy Glory, and my Comfort. Give me a Patience in all Provocations and Trials, and Faith in all Temptations; and ſo arm me with thy Grace and Aſſiſtance, that I may walk warily and wiſely this day, and all the days of my Life, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake mine only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

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NOON. *A Prayer for Chaſtity.*

ALmighty Lord, which knoweſt that in our fleſh dwelleth no good, and yet hath vouchſafed to make our bodies the Temple of the Holy Ghoſt, give me Grace, that I may alwaies crucifie the fleſh with all the Inordinate affections, and Inordinate deſires thereof, and bring it into ſubjection unto the Spirit. Quench the flames of carnal motions in me, abate the heat of foul luſt, and let me not be led away by the enticements of any wanton company. I know my Members be the Members of Chriſt, and therefore ſanctifie me (I beſeech thee) that whether I live in the ſtate of Matrimony or a ſingle life, I may avoid all uncleanneſs, and alwaies poſſeſs my Veſſel not in the luſt of Concupiſcence, but in Holineſs and Honour, that it may be a Temple for thy ſelf to delight and dwell in, for Jeſus ſake, *Amen.*

FRIDAY. Evening Prayer.

Pſal. 73. 28. *It is good for me to draw near unto God; I have put my truſt in the Lord God, that I may declare all thy works.*

O Eternal God, my merciful and loving Father in Chriſt Jeſus our Lord,

I render unto thy Majesty due praise and thanks for thy Fatherly goodness, in protecting me this day from many dangers and damages, which might justly have happen'd unto me, if thou shouldest strictly have observed what I have deserved: and now (I beseech thee) to keep and protect me this night also; preserve me and mine in thy Fatherly Providence, and all those that depend upon me. Have mercy upon me (O God) have mercy upon me, and of thy wonted goodness forgive me all my transgressions, especially those which I have committed this day against thy Sacred Majesty; shew me the light of thy countenance, and let me find comfort in the remorse of my Conscience.

Bless me (O Lord) and water me with the dew of Blessings, and let the drops of thy Son's blood shed for my sins, (and yet crying for thy mercy) distil into my heart by a lively Faith, for the comfort of my soul, and the amendment of my life.

I beseech thee (O Lord) take from me all manner of darkness, misbelief, infidelity, carnal lust and affections, and so strengthen me with thy Grace, that the bark of my weak Faith sink not through the Storms of Satan's Temptations, nor my hope be overturned through the weight of my unworthiness, nor any

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of thy good Graces extinguiſhed or blemiſhed, by the ways of a wicked converſation. Enter thy Judgments into the Tables of my Heart, that I may be content to ſpare my ordinary ſleep, to muſe of all thy Commandments, and that I may be more earneſt upon the meditation of thy Sacred word, than the Kings of the Nations, have been to turn over their Records in the night-ſeaſon. Be mindful of me, when I happen to forget my ſelf, and think upon me, O Lord, ſleeping and waking.

Keep me (O Lord) this night, preſerve even me and mine, that we be neither diſquieted by dreams, nor ſurprized by ſudden violence, nor affrighted by any terror, but grant us this Freedom and Liberty; that we may lye down in peace and reſt, and riſe up again in due time ſafely; to the honour and glory of thy Name, and the managing of our worldly buſineſs, in thy fear, through Jeſus Chriſt our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

SATURDAY. Morning-Prayer.

Pſal. 42. 8. *The Lord will command his loving Kindneſs in the day time, and in the night ſeaſon his Song ſhall be with me, and my Prayer unto the God of my Life.*

O Immortal and Everlaſting God, Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, I thine

thine unworthy Servant, beſeech thee to accept this my Morning Sacrifice of Praiſe and Thanks, due unto thee alone, for protecting me with thy mighty hand, from the Fears and Dangers of this Night paſt; and refreſhing my weary body with natural and kindly reſt, and hereunto (I humbly intreat thee) to joyn thy further Grace for the rouzing up of my ſlothful and ſluggiſh Nature from ſin and evil, that I may walk in thy Commandments with all cheerfulneſs, this day and evermore.

Pardon, O Lord, I beſeech thee, all fore-paſt evils, abominations of my life and converſation. Cut off the roots, boughs, leaves, and fruits of the evil Tree of my corrupt Heart; put away the inward luſts doubtings and denying of thy Providence, with all thoſe groſs and outward ſins I have committed, and do daily affect and effect againſt thee, and give me a ſure hope of thy gracious pardon, and everlaſting life, that always while I am in this world, I may have the taſte, and feeling of it in my heart.

Give me Grace, O Lord, to ſhun and to avoid all thoſe things, which thou either hateſt, or haſt no pleaſure in. Take from me a proud look, and a deceitful tongue, bloody hands, and an heart any ways given to wicked Imaginations. Keep me this day from all perils, that may come either unto my Soul or body, either by Satan

tan himſelf, or any of his Miniſters: bleſs my Senſes and Underſtanding, that in all things I may hear and ſpeak Reaſon; and ſuffer me not, I beſeech thee, to ſpeak, think, or do any thing this day, but that which may pleaſe thee, be anſwerable to my vocation, and tend unto the advancement of thy Glory, and the Health of my Soul.

O Lord, I pray thee ſend thy Bleſſing upon all my labours, and give me a willing mind to help them that have need, according to my ability; and ſo prepare my heart in all my buſineſs, that I may always begin it in thy Name, and go forward in thy fear, and finiſh it with thy Bleſſing, that whatſoever I ſhall do, it may proſper. Grant this, O Lord, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, our only Mediatour and Redeemer, Amen.

NOON. *A Prayer for Patience.*

O God, which art the God of Patience, and giveſt Conſolations to them that be patient, ſtay my unbridled nature this day, and ever, from all diſcontentedneſs of mind, doubtings, fears, murmurings, and furious actions. Give me Grace to take it in good part, whatſoever ſhall befall me, and let my heart acknowledge it to be the Lord's doing to come from thy Providence, and not by chance. Quiet

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this World, and open mine eyes when a
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thee. Grant me Patience, and thy Wi
to me be done in Jeſus Chriſt, my on
Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

SATURDAY. Evening Prayer.

Pſal. 88. 1, 2. *O Lord God of my Salv*
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thee, incline thine ear unto my cry.

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all the Suggestions, Illusions, and Temptations of Satan, and the Alterations, Provocations, Changes, and Chances of the World; sanctifie me with thy Grace, that I may keep my Body undefiled as the Temple of the Holy Ghost, and that my Soul may be defended, cherished, and tendered as the Apple of thine Eye, from all the pollutions of sinful Lust.

O good God, the Sun is gone down, the web of this day is almost spun, and the night is at hand: Bless me (I beseech thee) this night, and take me into thy Custody: save me Waking, keep me Sleeping, that I may both Sleep and Wake in Peace and Safety. Let the Shadow of thy Wings be my Covert, the Holy Ghost my Comfort, and thy Holy Name my Rock and Defence against all Evil, Fear, Damage, or Danger, which may overtake me this Night, or any time. Prepare me (O Lord) for the day following, the holy Sabbath, the hallowed day of thy Rest, and my great Duty; and then so unlock the Misteries of thy Holy Word to me, that I may therein see the things of thy glorious Majesty, learn the Lessons of my own Duty, and rightly understand the certainty of my Mortality.

Grant me (O Lord) such Grace, as I may make a right use of all things, that the hearing of thy Holy Word, and

the good example of thy Servant's agreeing with the Rule of thy Law, may be both as a bridle to reſtrain me from Sin, and a Spur to ſet me forward to holineſs of Life and Converſation in this World. O Lord, grant me theſe and all other good things, even for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, my only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Another Prayer to be ſaid in the Night, upon our Awaking.

Pſal. 119. 62. *At midnight I will riſe to give Thanks unto thee, becauſe of thy righteous Judgments.*

O Lord Jeſus, who, to deliver the holy Apoſtle St. *Peter* from the Fury of a cruel Tyrant, didſt by an Angel awake him in the dead of the Night, and haſt now awaked me thy poor Servant long before the day break; I bleſs thee, and with all humble thanks praiſe thee, for that Portion of comfortable reſt, which thou haſt given me from my down-lying unto this preſent Hour, beſeeching thee to forgive and forget my omiſſion of ſuch Duties, as I ſhould have performed before I fell aſleep.

O bleſſed Saviour, who didſt watch and pray when thy Diſciples were aſleep, and ſpenteſt many Nights in Prayer

for my ſake, pardon my forgetfulneſs, drowzineſs, and dulneſs in heavenly Matters; mine idle dreams, and wandring thoughts in Prayer and Meditation; and pray to thy Father and my God, thine by Nature, mine by his Grace and thine, that none of theſe things be laid to my Charge.

Keep me in this *Interim* from all evil and vain Cogitations, from temptation of the Enemy, and ungodly Deſigns; that ſo long as I ſhall be awake, I may, as thy holy Servants *Paul* and *Silas* did, at Mid-night meditate upon thy ſacred Law, and all holy things, *Amen.*

Another Prayer to be ſaid when we cannot Sleep.

O Lord God, by whoſe Ordinance King *Ahaſuerus* one Night could not Sleep in his own Bed; and yet, through thy gracious Providence, thy Apoſtle St. *Peter* ſlept quietly, though guarded and chained in Priſon. I beſeech thee to behold how my Sleep is broken, ſo that I cannot take my natural reſt kindly; and to have Compaſſion upon my weak Conſtitution, which yet deſired farther Nouriſhment. Lord, let no Buſineſs, Cares, or Fear, trouble my Head longer at this time,

but ſo ſettle my Brain in this quiet of the Night, that I may lay me down in Peace, and take my Reſt, my Body receiving his due Refreſhing, but my Mind continually watching unto thee, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Morning.

O Lord God, moſt mighty and merciful Father, I thine unworthy Creature and Servant, acknowledge mine own Vileneſs, natural Corruption, and abominable Sins, many times and divers ways committed againſt thee, ſo that I am not worthy to come near thy Sanctuary, or to approach the uttermoſt limits of the place where thine Honour dwelleth. Yet I beſeech thee, for his ſake in whom thou art ſo well pleaſed, my Lord Jeſus Chriſt, vouchſafe to admit me to render my bounden Thanks, for thy manifold Mercies extended to me this Night paſt, and all other times of my Life, for my Reſt, my Sleep, my Food and Raiment, my Health, Peace and Liberty, and the hope of a better Life, in the Merits of thy Son's bitter Paſſion. And, dear Father, I beſeech thee to continue thy merciful Favour unto me this Day and ever hereafter. Forgive me all mine Unthankfulneſs, Unkindneſs, and Prophaneneſs towards thee,

thee, thy Word, and Service, or towards my Neighbor. Set all my Sins over to that reckoning, which thy Son, Jesus Christ my Lord, hath made up for them, upon his Cross. Never lay any of them to my Charge, but freely forgive and forget all.

O Lord, strike my Heart with thy Rod, that I may always be furnished with a true and unfeigned Repentance, that I may not be blind in my Sins to delight in them, or to think that thou wilt not respect my Untowardness, but that I may be weary of them, grieved for them, and by all means possible, strive to attain a true mortification of the Flesh, and so to live Holily, and Justly, and Soberly in this present World.

O good God, I humbly intreat thee, leave me not to my self, mine own Lust and Desires, but assist me with thy Grace, to hearken unto thee, and thy Word, and to pass my time in Fear and Trembling, as an obedient Child of so good a Father.

Bless me (Lord) this Day, and prosper all that I shall take in Hand, let me have all my Directions from thy Will, and the Success from thy merciful Hand. Give me a competent stay for the maintenance of this mortal Life. Continue my Food and Raiment, Health, Peace and

Liberty, that I may with a quiet Mind and thankful Heart, paſs my time in this vale of Miſery, doing good to all Men, after mine ability, without diſgrace to my ſelf, or harm to any one.

Grant theſe good things, moſt merciful Father, and all other needful Graces, not only unto me, but unto all thy dear Children in the World, to the good of our Souls and Bodies, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, in whoſe Name I farther call upon thee, as he hath taught us in his Goſpel, ſaying, *Our Father*, &c.

A Prayer for the Evening.

O Eternal God, and moſt merciful Father, I do confeſs againſt my ſelf, that my Heart and Hands are full of all Filthineſs and Sins whatſoever, and I am altogether unworthy to ſpeak unto thee, or to come near to thy Preſence: Nevertheleſs being ſo much bound unto thee, as this Day paſt, and all other times of my Life do witneſs; I offer unto thy Majeſty (by the Hand of Jeſus Chriſt my Mediator) my humble duty of Praiſe and Thankſgiving, for my Election, Creation, Redemption, Vocation, and Sanctification, with all other good Graces appertaining to this Life, or that which is to come.

And namely, O Lord, my Tongue and

and Lips shall glorifie thee, sitting above the Cherubim, for preserving me this Day past from so many Miseries and Casualties whereinto I might justly have fallen, if thou wouldest have entred into Judgment with me. But (O Lord) thou art merciful, and passest by mine Offences, to win me by thy long Sufferance: I beseech thee make me thankful for thy Mercies, ready and willing to make a good use of thy most gracious Forbearance, and careful to do thy Will, with all Conscience and Constancy.

O Lord, pardon and forgive me all my Sins; grant me every Day more and more the sight and feeling of them, with hearty Sorrow, and unfeigned Repentance for the same. Give me Grace to believe all the sweet Promises that thou hast made unto me in Christ Jesus, both for the remission of my Sins, and the hope of a better Life; strengthen me from above with thy mighty Hand, to walk in every good way without Fear, and to bring forth the fruits of a true and lively Faith in my Life and Conversation, all the days of my Pilgrimage here.

Arm me, O Lord, with thy Grace and holy Spirit, against all the common corruptions of the World, the temptations of the Devil, and the allurements of the

the Flesh, and settle my mind to the continual exercise of devout Prayer, with the hearing of thy sacred Word, watching for thy coming both Publick and Private.

Continue thy goodness towards me, in providing for me such things as are necessary for the maintenance of this present Life; and bless the same under my Hand, that the little which I have by thy goodness may be encreased, and the encrease may serve as well to furnish my necessary uses, as to minister unto the necessities of others, according to my Ability.

Keep me (Lord) this Night from all evils, which may happen either unto my Body, or to my Soul: Extend thy goodness towards all those that depend upon me, or upon them. Give me quiet Sleep and Rest, and when I shall awake, let all my thoughts and cogitations be holy Meditations on thee, and thy Law. Bless me, O Lord God, all the Nights and Days of my Life, and at the end thereof, send me a blessed departure, and afterwards a joyful Resurrection unto Life eternal.

Grant me these good things, most merciful Father, and all other needful Graces, for Jesus Christ's sake, in whose Name I shall farther call upon thee, as he hath taught us in his Gospel, saying, *Our Father*, &c. Short

Short Prayers for the Morning and Evening; by *J. F.* 1581.

A ſhort Prayer for the Morning.

O God of Light, who haſt preſerved me and brought me from the darkneſs of this Night, ſhine into my Heart this Day and ever, by thy bleſſed and holy Spirit, that I may be enlightned and led into all Truth, that I may walk faithfully as the Child of light before thee, caſting away the works of Darkneſs, in the place that thou haſt ſet me, doing and performing diligently thoſe things that thou haſt required of me, either to the Praiſe of thy Name, or the comfort of my Brethren. Grant this, good *Lord* I humbly beſeech thee, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, *Amen.*

A ſhort Prayer for the Evening.

I Thank thee, O Father, for thy gracious protection of me this day; I beſeech thee keep me alſo this night under the ſhadow of thy Wings, that I reſting in thee, may find ſuch comfort and ſtrength both of Body and Soul, as may enable me to the performance of my Duty. Grant this, I humbly beſeech thee, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, mine on-

ly Saviour, in whose Name I farther call upon thee, as he hath taught us in his holy Gospel, saying, *Our Father*, &c.

A Prayer to God the Father, as a Preparative to the Meditations ensuing.

O Gracious Lord, Almighty and everlasting God, the Father of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who was born at *Bethlehem* in great Poverty, grant me, I beseech thee, a room amongst the Wise Men of the *East*, to offer the poor Talent of my weak Devotion unto him all the days of my Life; even true Faith for pure Gold; the perfume of devout Prayer, for sweet Frankincense; and hearty Sorrow, with bitter tears of Repentance, for dropping Myrrh.

And because he came into this World in such Humility, furnished with such a measure of Love, that he was content without constraint, to be laden with the heavy burden of all our Infirmities, and to carry our woful Sorrows; vouchsafe me thy Grace, that I may pick up some Crumbs under thy Table, and gather up some Fruits at the Foot of his Cross, that when I shall have seen what *Judas* sold, and the *Jews* bought, what *Judas* lost, and I have gained, I may bathe my Soul in the Purple-stream of his

his moſt precious Blood, and then entomb him, and lay him up in a believing Heart, unto his glorious Appearance.

O Lord, ſince he did vouchſafe to undergo a World of Injuries and Miſeries for my ſake, and at the laſt, in a ſhameful Death offered himſelf up in ſacrifice to thee for my Redemption: Strengthen my Weakneſs, and cleanſe my Filthineſs, that all the days of my Life, I being waſhed, (as the Apoſtle ſaith) being ſanctified, and being juſtified in the Name of the Lord Jeſus, and by the Spirit of my God, I may never be without ſorrow for my Sins, thankfulneſs for thy Benefits, fear of thy Judgments, love of thy Mercies, nor remembrance of thy Preſence, *Amen.*

A Meditation or Prayer upon the Life, Death, and Paſſion of our Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt.

O Lord Chriſt Jeſus, Son of God, thou holy, mighty, and wonderful God and Man; thou who art the Life of the Living, and the Death of Death; and therefore both in Life and Death advantage to thy Children; thou whoſe Life for our ſakes was enfeebled with natural Infirmities, and thy Death cauſed by violent Sorrows, and yet thy Life

Life mild and thy Death quiet; I beseech thee give me a Heart of Flesh, to weep, lament, and shed Tears down my Cheeks; if not for thy Pains, (who didst sweat drops of Blood, trickling down to the Ground, & afterward dyedst) yet for my Sins, which then bred thy Sorrow, and now would work my Woe.

Lord, I know that for me, amongst many, the Tempest of thy Father's Anger, and Fire of his Wrath, was stirred and kindled against thee, but thou wast Innocent and Holy, thou art the worship of *Israel*; wherefore now, with the Wise Men of the *East*, I come to seek thee in the Stable in *Bethlehem*, and with all the *Jews*, I come to see thee at Mount *Calvary*; at *Bethlehem*, Lord, where the Manger was thy Bed to be born in; in Mount *Calvary*, where the Cross was thy Bed to die on: In *Bethlehem*, where a handful of Straw was the Pillow for thy sacred Head to rest on: In Mount *Calvary*, where a Crown of Thorns, and a number of Nails, pierced and fastened both Head and Body: In *Bethlehem*, where course Swadling-cloaths were thy best Robes; and in Mount *Calvary*, where thou wast stripped of thy Cloaths, and thy Body hung naked in much Misery. I come, Lord, to adore thee, to praise thee, and to pray thee, that as for thy Life-time thou wast content

content to be bred, born, brought up in manifold Infirmities, to demonſtrate the truth of thy Humility, and then at thy Death, thou waſt pleaſed to diſarm thy ſelf, and to be broken with many Miſeries, for diſcharge of our Captivity, and thereby to ſeal in our Hearts the aſſurance of our acceſs to thy Throne of Grace. So I pray thee, wilt thou be pleaſed, as a gracious King, to hold out the Golden Scepter of Mercy to my fearful Conſcience, that I may have warrant to come near unto thee, to look into thy Wounds, to ſue for Compaſſion and Pardon, and to taſte of thy Goodneſs, who am a ſinful Wretch, and a woful Creature, full of Corruption and manifold Infirmities.

O ſweet Jeſus, how ſhall I account the large ſeverals of thy long Paſſions, from thy poor Nativity, to thy guiltleſs death? How ſhall I reckon up all the Miſeries which thou didſt endure, from thy bloody Sweat, and moſt heavy Agony in one Garden, to thy ſtrange Burial in another? How can I think of thy labour in Preaching, thy wearineſs in travelling, thy watchfulneſs in praying, thy temptings in faſting, thy tears in pitying, and not confeſſing more juſtly of thee, than *David* did for his *Jonathan*; *Very kind haſt thou been unto me, thy love to me was wonderful, paſſing the love of Women?*

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O Lord, was it not enough for thee to be cloathed with the veil of flesh for to love me; but that thou must be compassed also with the shadow of death to save me? Was it not enough to become *Earth, Earth, Earth*, but thou must become also *Wo, Wo, Wo*, and all for me? the God of Heaven to become the Son of Man? the Lord of Life to be made the Child of Death? the Master turned to be Servant, and from a Servant to be accounted a bad Servant? O Humility without example! O Love beyond measure! O Grace beyond merit!

There was no proof brought, and yet was he scourged without measure; no indictment found, and yet he was crucified without mercy. Oh, the Beloved of the Lord run through briars of unworthy Passions! Oh, the Holy Lamb was betray'd, carried away, bound, condemned, consorted with Malefactors and Thieves; and like *Jonah*, plunged in the main depth of sorrows, and swallowed up of the Whale of Death.

Oh thou that didst suffer these things, remember for whom thou didst suffer them; remember me, *O Lamb of God, that taketh away the sins of the World, have mercy upon me.*

O Lord Jesus, it is the joy of my heart to

to hear that thou hast taken and born all mine infirmities; all spiritual, all corporal, true evidences of thy humanity, but no impediments to thy charity, all of Soul, and of Body, and yet neither deformed in fashion nor distempered in passion, nor tainted with any guilt of sin, all infirmities good in thee, all very necessary for me; for thy Soul heavy to death, shall bring my soul with joy to Life. Nay, I should never have been heartily merry, except thour hadst been painfully sad, and grievously sorrowful. I should never have been verily satisfied, except thou hadst truly hungred and thirsted; I should never have been delivered from fear and absolutely bold, except thou hadst naturally feared, for all was for me.

O thou ever-glorious God, the Consolation of *Israel*, and the hope of all the ends of the Earth, relieve my careful conscience, that am sad, disordered and disturbed in mind; for fear of thy judgments, having displeased such a gracious God, and so loving a Father.

O never let my Soul be overtaken with Fear, so far as to dispair, nor overwhelmed with the Sea of thy wrath, nor appalled with the suggestions of Satan, but let it always hear the voice of thy blood speaking better things than the blood of *Abel*, and crying not for revenge,

revenge, but for pardon for me, who by manifold transgressions have robbed God of his Honour, the Church of a Member, and my Soul of Life.

O man of sorrows, but mirror of Patience! What week of pains was this to thee? What a Good-Friday was this for me? What days of sorrows were then one after another to thee; and yet with what Patience didst thou pass them over? Patient when *Caiphas* so despitefully used thee; patient when *Pilate* so unrighteously judged thee; patient when false *Judas* so cunningly and treacherously saluted thee, designing thee to be taken. Again, patient when thou didst carry thine own Cross; patient when the crown of thorns drew blood from thy sacred Head: and patient when all others reviled, reproched, bespitted, scoffed & abus'd thee.

O thou, who so patiently and peaceably, mildly and meekly, truly and willingly, didst carry *painful* and *pangful*, hainous and heavy sorrows for me; I beseech thee let thy patience discharge my impatience; and let thy infirmities strengthen my weakness, inform mine ignorance, comfort my sadness, kindle my love, discharge my fear, moderate my anger: O Lord, grant me patience to bear thy holy Will in all things.

When I desire Grace, O sweet Jesus, to fulfill thy Commandment of Love and Charity, which is the end of thy Com-

mandment, where ſhall I take my pattern but from thee, ſuch a Lover as is Love himſelf? For whom didſt thou not love? As for thy Diſciples, thou didſt love them as a kind Maſter doth his Scholars, and cheriſh them as a good Father doth his Children, and ſtile them with the Name of thy Friends. Thou didſt ſtoop down to waſh their Feet that were not worthy to untie thy ſhoe. Thou didſt reſtore *Peter*, that had injured thee; thou didſt ſave a Thief that died with thee; thou didſt confirm *Thomas* that doubted of thee; thou didſt forgive *James* and *John* that asked too much of thee; thy bloody Perſecutors and Crucifiers (who did curſe and execrate themſelves and their Children to do thee a miſchief) they, even they, had thine earneſt Prayers on the Croſs, before thou didſt diſpoſe of thy Mother, or pray for thy ſelf; yea, that *Judas* that betrayed thee, and ſold thee for thirty *pence*, yet *made* no price of thee, but put it to a *What will you give me?* and took a baſe offer; *thy holy hands* did waſh his *unclean feet*, and thy ſacred lips did touch his profane mouth.

O thou fountain of love, thou doſt drench thoſe that love thee in the ſtreams of thy pleaſures, and embalmeſt even thine enemies with the oyl of compaſſion, and haſt loved Mankind with an ever-

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lasting love, grant that my love may be out of a pure heart, and a good conscience, and of Faith unfeigned. Thou that would'st be betrayed with a kiss, as it were to meet death in the middle way. Thou that didst reprove *Peter*, when he dissuaded thee from it, and didst hasten on *Judas*, lest he should be too Slack to bring thee to it, give me grace to die in thy favour, and bring me to life. Kindle, O kindle my desires to thee, enflame my heart with thankfulness to thee, inspire my soul with the fire of zealous love to thee, that for thy love to me, I may evermore love thee above all things, and my *Neighbour as my self*.

This is the *consumatum est*, O sweet Jesus, thou hast given that which thou didst not owe me, and hast forgiven me that which I did owe thee; thou wast content to be the by-word of the people, and the curse of the Law for my sake. Blessed be thy Name, blessed be thy life, blessed by thy death, for thy Death is my Birth, thy Crown of Thorns is my Garland, the Scars of thy Body are the Stars of my Firmament; thy gracious Wounds are my happy Plaisters, thy bitter myrrh refreshed me; thine infirmities strengthen me, thy stripes heal me, and thy blood cleanses me.

Lo, I have nothing to take to but what

I have from thee, therefore *Bone Jesu, esto mihi Jesus*, O good Jesus, make good thy good Name *Jesus* unto me, and let thy Passion work compassion for me, that by thy mercy I may obtain remission of my Sins, and by thy merits I may obtain everlasting salvation in the Kingdom of Heaven, *Amen. Amor meus crucifixus est.*

Sup-

Supplications
OF
SAINTS.

The Second Part.

Paul and his Company.

Act. 21. 5.

They brought us on our way, with Wives and Children, and we kneeled down on the Shore, and Prayed.

Chrysostom. Tom. 2. in Johan. Hom. 1. Cap. 1.

Not only at Church, but at Home also, let the Man and his Wife, the Father and the Children, speak of those things.

This Part contains Prayers for divers Purposes to be uttered with Company.

A Morning Prayer for private Families

Mat. 18. 20. *Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.*

O Eternal God, and most merciful Father, which giveſt to them that want, comforteſt them which ſuffer; and forgiveſt them which repent; we ſinful Creatures ſue unto thee for Grace, hoping in thy mercy towards us, which is over all. Keep us, we beſeech thee, this day, as thou haſt kept us this night paſt; keep us in thy *fear*, *faith*, and *love*. Forgive us all our ſins in the *blood of thy Son*, teach us to *ſorrow for them*, and ſeparate them *from* us, that would *ſeparate us from thee*.

O Lord, remove from our minds all ignorance and blindneſs, and make thy Word unto us, like the Star which led the *wiſe men* to Chriſt, and all thy works profitable inſtruments to draw us unto thee. Guide us with thy Spirit, that we may make Conſcience of all that we do, and never make light of any evil, but even abſtain from all appearance of it. Strengthen our weakneſs, and lighten our underſtanding, that in the brunt of Temptations, we may diſcern between good and evil, right and wrong, and receive Comfort. Give

Give us the ſacred hunger and thirſt after righteouſneſs, that our firſt care may be to know thy truth; and let us ſo profit in the School of Chriſt, that in ſickneſs we may find patience, in priſon joy, in poverty contentment, and in all things hope.

Proſper (O Lord) our labours, and the work of our hands, and give us hearts to learn ſomething of every thing, and make a ſpiritual uſe of all our earthly Actions and Occaſions, till we come to lodge with thee in the Kingdom of Heaven; let our loving Affections grow one towards another unfeignedly, that we may love our Brethren, and they us, and pray for them, and they for us, and both of us be heard of thee for our ſelves, and one for another, and thy Son for us all.

Bleſs, Lord, the univerſal Church with Truth, Peace, ſoundneſs of Doctrine, and holy Diſcipline. Continue thy Mercies towards this Realm, preſerve His Gracious Majeſty, and all the Royal Family; ſanctifie the Studies and Lives of the Miniſters of the Goſpel, and all others that labour in thy Word and Doctrine. Bleſs His Majeſty's moſt honourable Privy-Council, and all others in Authority, with neceſſary Graces.

Bleſs the Nurſeries of good Learning, all Grammar-ſchools, the famous Univerſi-

ſities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge*, and the Inns of Court. Bleſs this City and Place wherein we Live, remove the Puniſhments due for the Sins thereof, and give them truly Grace to Repent in time, leſt they be deſtroyed.

Bleſs all our Friends, Kinſfolks and others for whom thou haſt appointed us to make Prayers and Supplications; ſtrengthen them that ſuffer for this cauſe, and ſend them the comforts of thy Spirit: Comfort them that lie in anguiſh of Conſcience for remorſe of ſin, and convert them that go aſtray, and teach us by their examples to ſee our own weakneſs, and to look better to our ways. Bleſs this Family with Grace and Peace, that the Rulers, Children, and Servants thereof, may all know their ſeveral Duties, and Practice the ſame in thy fear, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Another of the ſame.

Pſal. 108, 3. *I will praiſe thee, O Lord, among the People, and I will ſing praiſes unto thee among the Nations.*

O Lord God, moſt heavenly and merciful Father, tho' we be unworthy the leaſt of thy Mercies, yet haſt thou from time to time made us partakers of many, for which we praiſe and magnifie thy holy Name, beſeeching thee to give us under-

understanding hearts, to feel our evils and direction and assistance from thy spirit, to avoid the same. And, as thou hast in great mercy kept us this night, in the time of darkness and dangers, so we beseech thee to keep us this day, that the Son of Righteousness may rule in our hearts, and all that darkness that lurketh in them, may be scattered to the comfort of our Souls, and we may walk as thy Children, in clear light without danger. Endue us with Gifts and Graces needful for us, and grant that with a pure and sincere Conscience, we may use them to the benefit of our Brethren, and the discharge of our own duties. Keep the watch of our tongues, and the door of our Lips, in such sort, that no rash evil or vain words pass thereby, and so rule and govern our Hearts, that we may not mind or think any thing, but that which shall be to thy Glory. Grant us thy Blessing of Health, Peace, and Maintenance, so far as thou seest them good for us, and especially thy holy Spirit to instruct us, as well in the want thereof, as in the lawful use of them. In all our Consultations, Words, and Works, let us remember thy Presence, that thou seest us wheresoever we do bestow our selves, and wilt judge us if we go astray or do amiss. Chase away from us all Rancor and Malice, Covetousness,

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Uncharitableneſs, and Unkindneſs, and whatſoever is contrary to thy Love, which is to us-ward in Jeſus Chriſt our Lord.

Take from us all Ignorance and Negligence, with the want of Judgment and Diſcretion; and prevent all thoſe things that thou knoweſt may hinder us in our Chriſtian Calling. Encreaſe our Faith, Patience, and Obedience. Let thy bleſſing be upon this whole Houſhold, to lead us in thy Truth. and protect us in our Ways, and all thoſe whom thou haſt made dear unto us, whether they be preſent or abſent. Be good to our Children, Servants, and Friends, that live with us, that we may live altogether in the Service of thy Goſpel, to grow up in godly Converſation, and ſoundneſs of Faith. Give us Grace, by thy Corrections, to fear thee more carefully, and to ſorrow for our Sins more heartily; O Lord, grant theſe things, and whatſoever elſe thou knoweſt to be neceſſary for us, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, *Amen.*

An Evening Prayer for private Families.

Pſal. 116. 12. *What ſhall I render unto the Lord for all his Benefits towards me? Becauſe he hath enclined his Ear unto me, therefore will I call upon him as long as I Live.*

O Lord God, Father of Mercies, Creator of Heaven and Earth, we render unto thee thanks, in all abundance, for thy merciful preservation of us this Day, and all the times and days of our Life, that thou hast brought us safe and sound thro' so many Dangers, and poured upon us (contrary to our deserving) so many excellent and notable Blessings and Benefits, both Spiritual and Corporal. Good Lord (we beseech thee) keep us evermore, from Day to Day, as thou hast done, and make us constant in the Profession of thy holy Name, and the Practice of thy Law, that neither the violence of Man, nor subtilty of Satan, be able to make us to turn away from thee. Lord, turn thy Face from our Sins, wherein we have so delighted, alter our Hearts, and wash and cleanse us from all Stains and Corruptions, in the Blood of thy Son. Forgive us all that is past, and grant us the assurance of that Forgiveness, sealed up in our Consciences by thy holy Spirit. Kindle thy Love so fervently in our Hearts, that we may detest whatsoever is against thee and thy Word.

Forgive us our great Contempt, and intollerable Barrenness in good Works, our foul Unthankfulness, and the abuse of thy Grace, and strike our stony Hearts with the rod of thy Fear, that we may

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attain unto a due thankfulneſs for thy Benefits, and a moſt unfeigned and earneſt Repentance for our Sins.

O Lord, bleſs us all this Night, that after our Bodies have been refreſhed with competent Sleep, we may ſee the light of the next Morning, and riſe ſafe and ſound, to ſerve thee in our ſeveral Vocations. Sanctify our Minds, that by the help of thy Mercy, we may enjoy the reſt of a quiet Conſcience. Bleſs thy Church and her Miniſters; preſerve His Majeſty, protect the Magiſtrates of Juſtice, and all faithful People; rear up the heavy-hearted, that mourn in *Zion*, and turn the Chaſtiſement of thy Children to their good.

Lord, be merciful unto them whom thou haſt made any way helpleſs unto us, and bleſs every one of us in our place, that we may truly ſerve thee, fear thy Majeſty, and love thy Authority. Theſe things (O Lord) and all other needful for us, we do crave at thy Hands, in the Name, and for the Righteouſneſs of Jeſus Chriſt, our only Saviour and Redeemer, ſaying, as he hath taught us, *Our Father, which art, &c.*

Another for the ſame.

Pſal. 113. 3. *From the riſing of the Sun, unto the going down of the ſame, the Lord's Name is to be praiſed.*

O Ever-living God, and our ever-living Father, which haſt not left us comfortleſs, but haſt given us thy Son for a Ranſom, thy Word for a Guide, and reſerved a Kingdom for our *Inheritance in Heaven*; we give thee thanks for theſe and all other thy moſt gracious Benefits, beſeeching thee that we may have the Grace to make ſuch uſe of them, that they may never be in vain unto us. O Lord, forgive us all our Sins, remove from us all thoſe things which our Conſciences are afraid of. Aſſure us of thy gracious Pardon, and renew us by thy holy Spirit, that we may unfeignedly hate and deteſt whatſoever is diſpleaſing unto thee. Lord, give us a ſincere Heart to ſerve thee; and let this be the hour of our Converſion; in all Temptations give us ſtrength to reſiſt and overcome, in all Troubles Patience to bear; and grant that we may conſtantly perſevere in our Faith, Hope, and Patience, unto the end, that the hope of Mercy may keep us from the horror of Diſpair, and the fear of Juſtice from the Sin of Preſumption.

O good God, order our times in ſuch comfortable ſort, that we having Peace in thee, our Bodies and Minds may be the more able to do their ſeveral Offices in our Vocation. Inſtruct us by thy Word, guide us by thy Spirit, mo-

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lify us by thy Grace, humble us by thy Corrections, and win us by thy Benefits.

O Lord, we beseech thee, let all things work for the best to us, that desire truly to love thee. Continue thy favour and goodness unto us this night, that we, taking our natural rest and quietness, may, thro' thy Protection, be all defended from immoderate Sleep, fearful Dreams, and outward violence of our Enemies, and all eminent Danger. Touch our Hearts with a desire and longing after heavenly things, that whensoever it shall please thee to call for us, we may be willing to come unto thee as Children to their Fathers, Strangers unto their Country, and Members of thy Body unto the Head.

Grant us (O Lord) these, and all other things needful and meet for us, for Jesus Christ his sake our only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

A Form of Prayer to serve for Morning and Evening in a Family.

O God of Glory, and Father of Mercy, eternal and incomprehensible Majesty, in whom we sinful Creatures live, move, and have our being; favourably hear our unperfect Prayers, and mercifully grant our needful Suits.

Great is our Debt to thy All-good Greatness, for thy great goodness be-

ſtowed upon us in our Election, Creation, and Sanctification, in our Underſtanding, Health, Wealth, and Peace, together with thy gracious preſervation of us this (*In the Morning*) Night paſt, from Fire and Water, Thieves and Robbers Death and Deſolation. (*At Evening*) Day paſt from wilful Sinning, deadly Hurts, Fire and Water, Thieves and Robbers.

Beſides, our Maladies and Miſeries which our forgetfulneſs of thee, neglect of our ſelves, natural Corruptions, and diſability of Eſtate, might have brought upon us.

Behold we are here before thy Footſtool, with humble Hearts, bended Knees, and Hands lifted up, adoring thy Majeſty, and praiſing thy Mercy for this, and all other goodneſs received from thee, ſaying, in the zeal of thy holy Propher, *Bleſſed be the Lord God of Iſrael, from Everlaſting to Everlaſting, Amen and Amen.*

O Lord, look not upon our Unworthineſs, but turn thy Face from our Iniquities, and look upon the Obedience, Satisfaction, and Worthineſs of thy Son Jeſus, our Saviour, and forgive us all our Sins in his Blood, which thou waſt pleaſed ſhould be ſhed to that end; ſeparate them from us, as far as the Eaſt is from the Weſt, which would

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ſeparate us from thee as far as Heaven is from Hell; teach us to ſorrow and lament for them in true Contrition, and with humbled and broken Hearts; and hereafter let the powerful Operations of thy all-ſufficient Grace ſo alter the nature of our Judgments, that we may never make light of any Sin, be it never ſo much incident to the frailty of our Life, but even deteſt every ill Action, and abſtain from all appearance of it. Endue us, O good Father, with ſuch Gifts and Graces, as ſhall be needful and meet for us: Work and encreaſe in us Faith, Patience, and Obedience to thee and thine Ordinances. In all our Conſultations, Determinations, Deſires, Words, and Works, keep the cloſet of our Hearts, the door of our Lips, and the motion of our Hands, that we may always ſtand in fear of thine all-ſeeing Eye, which looketh upon us; caſt out of our Hearts, all idle, unclean, and vain Thoughts, evil Imaginations, Rancor, Malice, Uncharitableneſs, and whatſoever is contrary to thy bleſſed Commandment; and ſo guide us in thoſe things which thou alloweſt, that with a ſincere and good Conſcience, we may do all that we do in the Name of the Lord, to the right diſcharge of our own Duties, and the benefit and furtherance of our Brethren. Give us that ſacred hunger and thirſt after Righteouſ-

neſs (which thou haſt ſo bleſſed in thy holy Word) that our firſt care and earneſt deſire may be to know thy Truth, and to do thy Will with zeal and diſcretion, and when we are to undergo the tryal of any Temptation, ſupport and ſtrengthen us, that we may be able to diſcern between Good and Evil, Truth and Falſhood, Right and Wrong, Fear and Hope, to our comfort in all our Meditations, in the reading and hearing of thy holy Word; Lord, make it unto us the ſavour of Life unto Life, ſeaſoning and illuminating our Hearts with thy unſpeakable Light, like unto that uncouched Star which appeared to the Wiſe Men, that we may thereby be led to Chriſt, the light of the Gentiles, and the glory of thy People of *Iſrael*; and that thereby we may ſo profit in his School, as that in Sickneſs, we may find Patience, in Afflictions, Joy, in Poverty, Contentment, and in all things, hope that thou wilt be our Father, and our God. And becauſe we are all Children of one Father, and one Mother, God and the Church, we pray thee to bleſs thy holy Church univerſal, and to comfort all thoſe that mourn in *Zion*, in Conſcience and for Conſcience. Remember, O Lord, *Joſeph*'s Afflictions, *Paul*'s Bonds, *Mary Magdalen*'s Tears, *Job*'s Tryals, *Lazarus*'s Sickneſs; and let *Stephen*'s Death be

be always dear in thy sight. Let our Loving Affection so mutually grow one towards another, that we may live together in Love, professing with one Heart, and one Mind, a true Faith, and labouring to keep a holy and acceptable Conversation, that we may forgive our Brethren, and they us, to pray for them, and they for us; in the things of this World be helpful to them, and they to us: let thy Blessing be upon this Houshold, the Rulers, Children, and Servants thereof. Guide us in our Ways, and lead us in thy Truth, that every one of us may know our several Duties, and perform them in thy Fear. Bless our Parents, Kindred, and Friends, wheresoever they remain in this World; endue them all with Gifts and Graces needful and requisite for their several Estates, Degrees, and Callings.

In the Morning.

Prosper our Labours, and bless our just Endeavours, in all the Work which we are to take in hand this day, and ever; and give us thy blessing of Health, Peace, Maintenance and Safety.

At Evening.

O Lord, bless us all this night, and save us from noisome Dreams, sudden Incursions, and all violent Hands, and other Dangers; that after our Bodies have been refreshed with competent Sleep,

to ſuffice Nature, we may ſee the light of the next Morning, and ariſe ſafe and ſound, to ſerve thee in our ſeveral Vocations, willingly and cheerfully. Good Lord, we beſeech thee grant us all theſe Bleſſings, Gifts, and Graces, and whatſoever elſe thou knoweſt to be neceſſary for us. Hear us for thy Church, and thy Church for us, and thy Chriſt for us all, in whoſe Name, and abſolute form of Prayer, we conclude theſe our weak requeſts unto thee, ſaying, as he hath taught us, *Our Father*, &c.

A Prayer for the Catholick Church, and all the Eſtates thereof.

Pſal. 125. 4. *Do good (O Lord) unto thoſe that be good, and to them that are upright in their Hearts.*

O Son of the eternal God, thou ſweet Spouſe of the Church, bleſs, (we beſeech thee) preſerve, and keep thy poor Church militant, here on Earth, the bleſſed Company of all faithful People; make all Kings and Princes, and the ſupream Governor of every Nation, careful Nurſing-Fathers, and Nurſing-Mothers to the ſame. Let all the Members thereof be of one Mind, and one Heart, that there may be ſuch holy Concord in the knowledge of thy Truth, and ſuch Obedience to

to their Superiors, with brotherly Unity in all matters, as they may neither produce thy Scourge, nor the Princes Swords againſt them. Grant the Goſpel free paſſage, and long continuance in Proſperity, and remove not the Candleſtick for the unfruitfulneſs or unthankfulneſs of the Profeſſors. Put thy principal Spirit upon the Miniſters of the Word, the Archbiſhops, Biſhops and Paſtors of the ſeveral Congregations, and give them Grace to follow the Steps of the Holy Apoſtles, and bleſſed Martyrs, that being inflamed with true Zeal, and furniſhed with ſufficient Knowledge, they may be willing to labour in ſeaſon and out of ſeaſon, for the feeding of thy Flock. Bleſs their Labours, to the winning of Souls to thee, and bleſs them with boldneſs of Speech, and innocency of Life, that like ſworn Soldiers to the Croſs of Chriſt, they may live and die under thy Banner. Caſt down the Beams of thy heavenly Light upon ſuch publick Places as are appointed for the Training up of younger Years in ſound Knowledge, and commendable Qualities, namely, our Univerſities, *Oxford* and *Cambridge*, the Inns of Court, and all Grammar Schools, the Seed-plats of the Church; Sanctify their Memories to treaſure up good things. Purge their Conſciences to have Peace in thee; reform their Wills

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to thy Will, and let all their Affections be ordered aright, and their Veſſels ſeaſoned with the beſt of Liquor in the beginning, and ſo to continue. Bleſs the higher Powers of Authority, make them truly humble in the Top of their Height, that their Heads being lifted up to Honour, their Hearts may not be puffed up, nor ſwell with Pride; but ſo rule their Hearts and Minds, that all Kings and Princes may truly ſerve thee, reverence and ſtand in awe of thee; defend and maintain thy Church and Truth, and wiſely fore-ſee what is beſt for the advancement of thy Glory, and the good of the Common-wealth. So deal alſo, O Lord, with all ſubordinate Authorities, and keep them from Factions, Treaſons and Conſpiracies. Let the Judges beLearned and Uncorrupted, and the Lawyers Men of Conſcience, to deal ſincerely and uprightly in their Buſineſs, without either fear of greater Perſonages, or doing of unlawful favours to Friends, or deſire of reward from any. Calm the Waves, and quiet the Storms of all Perſecutions, repreſs the rage and cruelty of all Tyrants, Heathen or Chriſtian. Take away all unchriſtian Practices out of the Church of *Rome*; let it perſwade nothing to the infection of Youth, or ſubverſion of the State; confound all Hereſies and Hereticks, diſperſe

perſe all *Schiſms* and *Sects*, that there be no Jars, nor differences of Opinions amongſt thy Servants, but that we may be like Minded, having the ſame Love, being of one Accord, and of one Judgment. In fine, O Lord, comfort them that are over-worn with War, waſted with Exactions, vexed with Plague and Sickneſſes, conſumed with Famine, overflown with Waters, and ſcared with fearful Threatnings from the Skies. Convert the Simple, confound the Obſtinate, gather the Diſperſed, heal the Broken-hearted, ſupply our Wants, and amend all that is Amiſs, for thy Truth, and for thy Name's ſake, *Amen.*

Another for the ſame Uſe.

Epheſ. 5. 25, 26. *Chriſt loved the Church and gave himſelf for it, that he might Sanctifie and Cleanſe it, with the Waſhing of Water by the Word.*

O Lord God, thou juſt maker of the Vineyard, and loving Head of the Church, ſend down thy Holy Spirit into the Hearts of all them that Preach or Profeſs thy Holy Truth, all Men, Religious and Secular; yea, Men and Women, Princes and Subjects, Rich and Poor, even all the People believing in thy Name, and depending upon thy Grace and Mercy. Give unto them O Lord, one Law, one Baptiſm, one Hope

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one Spirit, that there may be but one Voice among all that profeſs the Catholick Faith. Keep back the Famine of thy Word, and ſend ſuch Labourers into thy Harveſt, as be Sound in Doctrine, Faithful in their work, and godly in converſation, that they may be in number many, and in power wonderful and effectual. Open, we beſeech thee, the Hearts and Ears of the People, for the receiving of thy Word, that it may dwell with them plentifully in all Wiſdom, and bring forth Fruit againſt all the Cares, Croſſes, and Courſes of this wretched World. O Lord, thou haſt found Iniquity in thy Saints, and the Heavens are not clean in thy ſight: O then correct us in thy Judgment, not in thy Fury, leſt we ſhould be conſum'd and brought to nothing. Purge the Garden of thy Church, and let no VVeeds over-grow the Flowers. Suffer neither ſin nor ſuperſtition to choke the good growth of Faith or Manners in thy People, but keep them from all Evil, Hereſies, fantaſtical Opinions, ſeducing Spirits, and deadly Contentions. Keep our necks from the grievous yoke of Antichriſtian Bondage, whoſe Religion is Rebellion, whoſe Faith is Faction, and whoſe Practiſe is the Murthering of Souls and Bodies; and repreſs the furiouſneſs of Tyrants, which labour for nothing but the Spoil of the Church, and the aboliſhment of true Doctrin, Prayer, and true Religi-

Religion. O Lord Jesus, amend all that is amiss, and grant us thy grace all the days of our life, even for thy Truth, and for thy Name's sake. *Amen.*

A Prayer for His Majesty's Royal Kindred and Family.

Eccles. 10. 17. *Blessed art thou, O Land, when thy King is the Son of Nobles.*

O Almighty God, King of all Kings, the Fountain, Rule, and Stay of all Sovereignty; we most humbly thank thee, that thou hast not left us unto ourselves, to do what seemeth best in our own eyes, but hast set over us a Noble, Wise, and Gracious King, *William*, thy Servant, our supream Head and Governour, next under thee. Lord make all thy Goodness and Grace to go before him day and night; uphold his Crown, maintain his State, give him continual Peace, long Life, and much Happiness. Endue him with Wisdom and Understanding in the Church and Common Wealth, as may be acceptable in thy sight, profitable to all His Subjects, and hurtful to none that love thy Truth; mercifully hear Him in all His Petitions, and effectually work for Him in all Dangers in the Day of Battel; in His greatest Consultations; in the time of His Recreations, in the Plots of Treason, and all other wicked Designs of His Enemies, and

and in the hour of Death. Make us thankful for all thy Preservations of Him, both at home and abroad, in this Kingdom, and elsewhere: Bless, Preserve, and keep Him, and the rest of the Royal Family. Let Him always embrace thy Truth, and manfully maintain it against all treacherous Plots, and sinister Perswasions. Let thy Power always go forth with His Armies, and give him glorious Victories, banish from his Court all Privy *Foes*, *Foreign* and Domestical; and keep Him from all sorts of Dissemblers.

Let not our Sins (O Lord) provoke thee to shorten His days, and deprive us of thy Good Blessings, but Convert us to thy good Will and Pleasure, and give Him the Crown of Old Age, and long to continue in the ways of Righteousness.

O holy Father, give him such excellent Gifts, as befits the Majesty which he bears, that he may be in Faith like *Abraham*, in Courage like *David*, in Wisdom like *Solomon*, and in hearing good and evil as an Angel of God. Enrich his Council and Nobles with Wisdom, Loyalty and *Fortitude*; and make his Servants that stand before him in their several Places (with all other Subjects) as so many Lines drawn to one Center, that their Hearts being tyed unto him, they may be always fearful to offend, willing to obey, and faithful to accomplish,

pliſh, whatſoever may ſtand with thy Glory, our Sovereign's honour, and the good of thy Church and Common-wealth, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Another for the ſame uſe.

2 Tim. 1. 2. *Let Supplications, Prayers, Interceſſions, and giving of Thanks, be made for all Men; for Kings, and for all thoſe that are in Authority.*

O Almighty God, which haſt the King's Heart in thy hand, as the Rivers of Waters, and turneſt it whitherſoever it pleaſeth thee; we humbly beſeech thee to keep thy Univerſal Church, and our Common wealth, with peace and proſperity in thy Worſhip and Service. Give (O Lord) Grace unto our moſt Noble King *William*, that He may love, honour, fear, and ſerve thee, and that He may put his truſt only in thee: Endue Him with the ſpirit of Wiſdom and Knowledge, and with all other good gifts and vertues neceſſary for His Royal Function: and eſpecially enflame His Heart with an earneſt and true Zeal, to ſet forth thy glory, and to make thy Will known unto all His Subjects, that they may both with heart and mind, obſerve and keep the ſame; and that both with heart and mind His ſubordinate Magiſtrates may indifferently and faithfully

fully minister Judgment and Justice to all His people.

We beseech thee (O Lord) preserve His Body in health, His mind in quietness, and both in all sincerity and goodness; that by His good example he may both stop the mouths of his Adversaries, and win the hearts of all those that believe and profess thy Gospel: Make His days (O Lord) as the days of Heaven; That He may Rein many Years over us, and we His Subjects may long live a peaceable and quiet life, in all godliness and honesty under His Sacred Government.

Grant unto Him, wise and faithful Counsellors, loving and obedient Subjects, dutiful and true Servants. Deliver him (O Lord) from all Conspiracies, Treasons, and other dangers, and grant Him always a glorious victory over all His Enemies.

Pardon and forgive Him all His sins; make Him walk all the days of His Life in the ways of thy Commandments, that He may live in thy fear, and die in thy favour, and that in the Resurrection of all flesh, He may receive a Crown of Righteousness, the only thing which He does wish and hope for, through the merits and mercies of Jesus Christ, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer against the Temptation of the World, the Flesh, and the Devil.

Mat. 24. 14. *Watch and Pray, that ye enter not into Temptation.*

O Most Merciful and Mighty God, the fortress of the Faithful, a Rock of Defence, and Refuge for all distressed Souls, which knoweſt we be set in the midst of so great dangers, that without thy help we cannot avoid our ruin; I beseech thee, keep my Body and Soul from all Temptations and Snares of the Devil, and suffer not my Senses to range and wander abroad in matters of Pleasures and Delight, which are to no purpose. Good Lord, take from me that which is deformed and polluted by my corrupt Nature, and work and establish that which thy Grace hath wrought in me, that having thy whole Armour fitted unto me, I may be able to withstand all assaults of the Enemy. Let me not be drawn away by sensuality, or any of the desires of the flesh, but give me power to tame this body, that by sobriety, moderation, and abstinence from superfluous things, I may bring it into such subjection, as I may better serve thee, and walk in the Spirit: Lord Sequester me from the darkness, filthiness and deceitfulness of this

this world, that I be not fashioned like thereunto, to follow the multitude, but being changed by the renewing of my mind, I may walk uprightly and godlily, looking for the blessed appearing of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. O Lord be favourable and gracious to me in the day of trial; and lead me no farther into any Temptation, than thou wilt make me able to bear: Grant, O Lord, that I may with strong Faith, resist Satan, and by watching, fasting and prayer, mortifie the lusts of the flesh; and by continual Meditation of thy holy Law, avoid the foolish vanities and dangerous pleasures of this world.

Let not knowledge puff me up, prosperity mislead me, poverty dismay me, sickness turn me to impatiency, nor this life bring me to distrust in thy Providence or force me to seek unlawful means to win them.

Arm me (O Lord) with thy Spirit; encourage me with thy presence, and let all thy children feel the effectual working of thy power, which is ever made perfect through weakness, even for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer for Remission of Sins and all things necessary thereto.

Psal.

Psal. 106. 6. *We have sinned with our Fathers, we have committed Iniquity, and we have done wickedly.*

O Lord God, in Greatness infinite, in Power Omnipotent, in Counsel Wonderful, and in Judgment terrible; altho' I miserable sinner, have by thy Justice truly deserved everlasting damnation for my horrible sins, yet I beseech thee cast me not away with them that have not known thee, or such as forget God, or such as run on in their wickedness, and never say, what have I done? for I appeal from thy rightful Justice, to thine unspeakable mercy, and humbly cast down my self at thy feet, and confess my sins, beseeching and begging compassion and pardon.

Behold, Lord, I am a piece of that purchase that cost so great a price as the Blood of thy dear Son, my body and soul are the Temples of the Holy Ghost, the posts whereof are sprinkled with his precious Blood, which crieth for Mercy, and therefore enter not into the course of Judgment with me (for there I know I shall be overthrown) but forbear, forgive, and acquit me upon that satisfaction which he hath made for penitent sinners.

O Lord tho' the stipend of my sin be death, and merit of my Transgression, Eternal

Eternal Predestion; yet is thy Mercy above all thy Judgments, and thou canst forgive more than I can offend; wherefore I pray thee, set his Cross and Passion between thy Judgment and my Soul; look upon me with the eye of Mercy and Compassion, as thou didst upon the sinful Woman at the Banquet, and the Publican in the Temple, whose Pardons are registred in thy Book for my comfort.

O Lord, bow down the height of thy Deity, to behold my vileness and misery; (a lively Image of the Prodigal Son) who know no other help but only thee, the most loving Father, whom I have so highly offended. Pour the Oyl of thy Mercy into my defiled and fainting heart; search it, that I may not flatter my self to extinuate my Sin: Cleanse it and Season it with the Salt of thy Grace, to receive and retain all goodness hereafter. Lord, I thank thee for thy patience and long-suffering, that thou hast not suddenly (according to my desert) taken vengeance on me, but given me a longer time of repentance; wherefore I beseech thee appease thy anger towards me now, but loosen in me the works of darkness. Create in me a new heart; and because thou lookest for my amendment, I beseech thee grant me thy favour, that I may

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amend: Give me grace to repent unfeignedly, with faſting, weeping and mourning, and make my Faith lively to believe, that I am forgiven in Jeſus Chriſt.

Let not the faults of my fore-fathers light upon my head, who have walked in their ſinful ſteps; neither be angry with me for their ſakes: but let the well-doing of Jeſus Chriſt, who hath ſhed his Blood for me, ſuccour me, and procure my Pardon. Forgive me all my ſins of Youth and Age, Negligences and Ignorances, Thoughts, Words and Deeds; and keep me from preſumptuous ſins. O Lord, look not upon the *Phariſee*, for he diſſembleth; nor upon the *Publican* firſt, for he ſaith little for himſelf in outward ſhew; nor upon *Mary Magdalen* only, for ſhe had but ſeven Devils; but look upon me, that am of Sinners the chief, worſe than either *Phariſee*, *Publican* or *Mary*, who have as many ſins as hairs upon my head, and a greater clog upon my Conſcience, than any burthen that Man hath to bear, and do therefore openly, earneſtly, unfeignedly and continually call upon thee. O Lord, keep under Satan, that he drive not my Soul upon the Rocks of deſpair! quench all the Motions of my Mind, ſtriving againſt thy Divine Pleaſure, and reſtore in me the Image of thy Son, that I may Live in thy fear, Die in thy favour,

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Rest in thy Peace, Rise in thy Power, and Remain in thy Glory, for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer for obtaining of Faith, Hope, and Charity, and all Christian Virtues.

Phil. 4. 19. *My God shall supply all your wants according to his Riches in Glory, to Jesus Christ.*

O Father of Light, in whom is every good thing, and every perfect Gift, I beseech thee to Bless me with all Spiritual Blessings in Heavenly things in Christ. Increase the little grain of my weak and feeble Faith, direct it to the true Object, the Merits of Christ Jesus, and let it not be bare and dead; but effectual, working by love. Make me strong therein, and constant to give Credit to thy Word, without doubting; and protect me among the divers and manifold Errors, Sects and Heresies of the World, that fight against the Foundation. Lord, let not me be disappointed of my Hope, which I have in thee, and make good thy Promises unto me, and so work in my Heart, that I may have courage in conflict, patience in trouble, and comfort in all things. Keep me from Insolency and Pride, and grant me true Humility and Lowliness of Mind,

that I be not puffed up to contemn my Brethren; but give me that due conſideration of mine own vileneſs and infirmities, that as duſt and aſhes I may tremble and ſtand in awe of thy Judgments, and as a ſinful Man, eſteem better of others than of my ſelf.

O dear Father, when Satan ſhall accuſe me, my Conſcience be witneſs againſt me, the whole World forſake me, and all things ſet themſelves againſt me, for my Sins, then ſtrengthen me (I beſeech thee) in thy Faith, that I fall not from thee; inflame my cold heart with the heavenly affection of unfeigned Love, that I may love thee (O bleſſed Trinity) with all that I have, above all, and my Neighbor as my ſelf.

Grant me a compaſſionate and charitable mind to help and ſuccour others to my ability, to forbear and forgive them, tho' they be mine Enemies: Purge my Veins, and ſuffer not the ſtinking poiſon of envy and wrath to infect my Blood; and ſo moderate my affection, that the Sun go not down upon my Wrath, but that I may be ſatisfied in knowing that vengeance is thine: Give me Grace to follow the examples of all painful and godly labouring Men in matters of my Vocation, and keep me from the hateful ſin of Sloth and Idleneſs, the nouriſher of Vice, and the high-way to Beg-

gery. Grant me a contented mind against Covetousness, a moderate appetite against Gluttony and Surfeits, and a chaste body from disordered Lust. Comfort me, O Lord, in all grievous Accidents, and at the point of death, and give me Grace to fasten all my confidence in thee, that whereas now I see by Faith only (as it were in a glass darkly) I may then see Face to Face; the only thing which I desire and hope for, through Jesus Christ, *Amen.*

A Prayer before the receiving of the Holy Communion.

1 Cor. 11. 26. *As often as ye eat this Bread, and drink this Cup, ye do shew the Lord's Death until he come.*

O Lord God, merciful Father, which after the Sacrament of Regeneration, hath appointed us to receive oftsoon the blessed Sacrament of the Supper, instituted by our Saviour Christ immediately before his Death, for confirmation of our Faith; have mercy upon me vile Wretch, who, for my natural Corruptions and manifold Transgressions, am not worthy to approach unto thy Table, or come near thy House.

O gracious God, pardon me, and disdain not to accept me into thy Favor, but

but forgive me all my sins that I have done, or said, or thought, in Pride, Wrath, Envy, Gluttony, Sloth, Covetousness, or Wantonness: Give me a true and lively Faith to believe thy Word, and the promise of my Pardon annexed to thy Sacrament.

Inflame me with love and charity towards all Men, to forgive and forget, to do good, to pray for them, that I may follow the steps of my blessed Saviour. Open the eyes of my Understanding, and help me to examine my self concerning my Knowledge, Faith, and Repentance. Give me hunger and thirst after this Righteousness, satisfie me with this heavenly food, make me verily partaker of all the benefits of his Passion. O dear Lord Jesus, since thou hast suffered so many things for my sake, and hast commanded me not to dispair, or distrust thy goodness, grant me Grace so to eat of this Bread, and to drink of this Cup, worthily, that I may continually remain in thy grace and favor. O Lord God, the Father, give me the full consolation of this Mystery, and commemoration of that most precious death of thy Son, and our Saviour Jesus Christ, that my faith may be increased, my Hope confirmed, my Charity inflamed, my weak Conscience comforted, all Dangers repelled, and my Soul assured

ſured of her Salvation in the Blood of Chriſt: Let no Prophaneneſs enter into my Heart, ſo long as I am about this holy Action; but give me Grace to receive with purity of Heart, and cleanneſs of Soul, with Love, Dread, and ſtedfaſt Faith.

Have mercy upon me, good Lord, that by unworthy Receiving, I be not guilty of his precious Body and Blood, who came down from Heaven, lived with Men, and ſwam through a red Sea of Blood in his Agony and Paſſion to be my Redeemer. Have mercy upon the whole Church; and to this purpoſe, have mercy upon this Company, with whom I now (by thy mercy) communicate in theſe holy myſteries, that they may ſerve and pleaſe thee in this holy ſervice, and all other actions of their Life, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, *Amen.*

Another of the ſame before the Communion.
2 Cor. 11. 28. *Let a Man examine himſelf, and ſo let him eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup.*

O Almighty God, and merciful Father, I am a ſecret Sinner, and my heart is a bottomleſs pit of all Corruptions; wilfully and fooliſhly, ignorantly and obſtinately, have I ſinned againſt thee, unto whoſe eye all the ſecrets of my Soul lie open: But now

I come unto thee, as a ſick man to the Phyſician, as an unclean man to the Well of mercy and grace, offered in the precious Blood-ſhedding of Jeſus Chriſt, and repreſented to my Soul in this bleſſed Sacrament. Have mercy upon me, (O Lord) have mercy upon me, and forgive me all the evils that I am guilty of: Give me Grace that I may diſcern the Lord's Body, and ſo receive it ſpiritually, and by Faith, in the Sacrament; with ſuch chaſtity of body, humbleneſs of mind, thankfulneſs of Soul, hearty Contrition, and dread Reverence, as is meet for ſo high a myſtery.

O Lord Jeſus, it is truly ſaid of thee, that thou didſt receive Sinners and eat with them, and I verily believe, that thou art the ſame ſtill, full of goodneſs and mercy; wherefore I beſeech thee, leave me not to my ſelf, reject me not from thy Table. Come into my heart, and purge me from all filthineſs of the Fleſh, and of the Spirit. Enter into my Soul, ſeal and ſanctify me both within and without. O Lord, be not angry with me a barren and dry Tree, a Creature with a face of Braſs, and heart of Flint. I have not ſhed ſo many tears as are ſufficient to waſh thy feet with *Mary Magdalen*; but thou haſt ſhed as much of thine own Blood, as ſufficeth to waſh away all the ſins of me,

and all the World: Then be not angry with me, O Lord, but let thy Grace supply my wants, let thy mercy pardon my sins, let thy holy Spirit prepare my Soul, thy *Merits* enrich my Poverty, and thy most precious Blood wash away all the spots of my Life, that I may worthily receive this heavenly Sacrament, so that I may be strengthened thereby, and throughly filled with the heavenly Food of thy Body and Blood, for the mortification of the old man, and the confirmation of my Soul. O Lord, hear my Prayers, and grant my Requests, I beseech thee, *Amen.*

A Prayer after the receiving of the Holy Communion.

1 Cor. 5. 7. *Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened: For even Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.*

O Jesus, the Son of God, my Lord and Saviour, with all humble and hearty thanks, I praise thee for suffering death upon the Cross for my sins, and admitting me a miserable Sinner to the participation of this blessed Sacrament, the memorial of my Redemption. Let me (O Lord) find and feel in my heart the invisible power of thy heavenly Grace, effect-

effectually working the transformation of me into thee, the wonderful union of me with thee, thy ſpiritual habitation and abode in me.

Apply all thy merits and good things unto my Soul. Let me never doubt the forgiveneſs of my Sins, but ever open the door of this Sanctuary to me, that I may run thither in my greateſt need, and apprehend thy gracious Pardon, ratified by the Seal of thy Covenant.

Quicken me (O Lord) in this Life, revive and renew me, that I may diſclaim my old Converſation, and become a new man. Keep me that I ſlip not out of this building, nor become as a branch cut off and good for nothing; but as thou haſt ſevered me from the Wicked in calling me to the knowledge of thee, ſo keep me from all their Corruptions. Give me a perfect Love towards thee, that I may not delight in any thing but in thee, nor ſeek any other Honour but thine.

O Lord Jeſus, I meekly beſeech thee, let thy holy Spirit ſtrengthen me againſt my frailty, thy power and ſtrength defend me againſt worldly troubles and adverſities, thy merits purchaſe my needful pardon, and thy Blood be the medicine for all my Sores, even for thy Name ſake, Amen.

Another of the same, after the Communion.

Joh. 15. 13. *Greater love hath no Man than this, that a Man lay down his life for his Friends.*

O Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, which hast so loved mankind, that thou hast been contented not only to become one with him, but also meat unto him, and to die for him upon the Cross; Grant, I beseech thee, that this my receiving of this Sacrament, may be a true testimony to my Conscience, that I have, through Faith in thee, received full remission of what is past, and am become, as it were, a new creature in thy sight.

O sweet Jesus, which hast vouchsafed me such favour and honour as to come to thy Table, and feed upon thee; grant me Grace, I humbly entreat thee, so to perform and fulfil my duty, as this honour which thou hast done to me requireth; link me unto thee, and give me power and strength to believe thy Promises, without distrust, and to shew my Religion by my good Life and Conversation. Assist me with thy Grace, that I may walk worthy of this Blessed Sacrament, to love thee and thy Law unfeignedly, and utterly to forsake Vanity, Idolatry, carnal Desires, and all the Works of the Devil. Lord

Lord God, ſo moderate, and order all mine affections, that I may be joyned with the Brethren together in holy Love, which is the bond of Peace, and truly faſtened unto thee my head for ever. Stir up my mind, that I may always conſider the bitterneſs of thy death, the greatneſs of thy love, and never forget to be thankful to thee.

O bleſſed Lord, preſerve and maintain this Ordinance amongſt us, that it may be always a note and badge of our publick Profeſſion, and give us all one heart, and one mind, in the unity of the Spirit, from the reverend and worthy receiving of the ſame, whenſoever we ſhall come to thy holy Table again, *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Fruits of the Earth, and other nouriſhments of this mortal life.

Pſal. 104. 27. *All wait upon thee (O Lord) that thou mayſt give them their Meat in due ſeaſon.*

O Eternal God, which feedeſt with thy bleſſing every living thing, and ſatisfieſt the lawful deſires of thy Servants with thy bountiful Goodneſs, we wretched Sinners, unworthy of the leaſt of thy Benefits, do moſt humbly beſeech thee to be pleaſed to bleſs all the fruits

of the earth, that we, and all thy Servants, may be partakers of thy comforts therein, for the nourishment of this life.

Give us, O Lord, this day our daily bread, prepare our Ground, and prosper our Corn. Bless the seed-time with the first and latter Rain in their due season, and meet temperature of Air. Keep our Fruits while they be in the earth from Hail and Thunder, from excessive droughts, and overmuch rain, from mildews, and all noisome worms. Send us a joyful Harvest, and give a blessing to that which we shall reap, that for our unthankfulness it waste not away without relief. Increase our Cattel, with all other Provisions which we shall carefully labour for. Replenish our Basket, and bless our Store, that we may have wherewith as to furnish our selves, so to give some relief to others. Protect our Servants and Work-folks, that they may be strong to labour, wise to forecast, and faithful in their business. Keep our Garners, Barns, and Store-houses, from Fire and boisterous Winds, Thieves, and sudden Inundations: Prosper our Works and Travels, whether by Sea or Land, and bless and prosper them that any way labour for any of those things which we shall have occasion to use.

Send remedy (O Lord) for all hardness and misery, turn our dearth into cheap-

cheapneſs, and our ſcarcity into plenty. Open the hearts of rich men, to whom thou haſt given much, that they may have a charitable reſpect of the poor at all times. Help us (O Lord) and give us ſuch things as we ſtand in need of, and make us to deſire ſuch things only as may be pleaſing unto thee; to ſearch them wiſely, and find them eaſily. Oppreſs us not with too much Poverty, neither puff us up with too much Plenty, but give us a competent ſtore of things neceſſary for our Life, and Grace to uſe them ſoberly, to thy Glory and our Comfort, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, *Amen.*

A Prayer for Friends and Benefactors.

1 Pet. 4. 8. *Charity ſhall cover the multitude of Sins.*

O Lord, which haſt ſaid, *That he that giveth to the Poor, lendeth unto the Lord, and look, what he layeth out, it ſhall be paid him again*: We beſeech thee to be gracious and merciful unto all thoſe for whom we are bound to pray by Nature, by Deſert, or any other Duty whatſoever, all our Benefactors, and Friends alive, even all thoſe our Parents, Kinſfolks, and others, which have brought us up, taught, promoted,

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or any way revived us. Bleſs them with all bleſſings that have done good, either to our Bodies with temporal benefits, or our Souls with profitable inſtructions. Bleſs their eſtates, that in their godly diſpoſition, they may have always wherewith to relieve and comfort others in their diſcretion: Give them the Conſolation of the Holy Ghoſt, to the keeping of Faith and a good Conſcience. And as they have ſhewed mercy to us, and comforted us; ſo Lord, help and comfort them in their greateſt need, that both they and their Families may both have comfort in their eſtate and condition here, and find mercy with thy Son our Saviour Jeſus at the latter end; Lord, let all their Alms-deeds and Prayers be always in thy ſight as thoſe of *Cornelius*, that as they have been unto us an Odour that ſmelleth ſweet, whereby we have received plenty, and been filled; ſo they may be as Sacrifices acceptable and pleaſant unto thee. Vouchſafe us this Grace (O Lord) that we be not guilty of any ingratitude towards them, but rather ready, according to our abilities, to recompence them, if need require.

Let not that which they have beſtowed upon us, be caſt away, but make it fruitful, and us worthy of it. Grant this, O thou God, which doſt good both to the

the juſt and unjuſt, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Another in time of War.

Pſal. 74. 18. *Remember this, that the Enemy hath reproached thee, O Lord; and that the fooliſh People have blaſphemed thy Name.*

O God, mighty in Battel, we beſeech thee, bear not in mind our vile deſerts, but of thy mercy pity thy poor afflicted, endanger'd and perſecuted Church. Conſider and behold, how they which hate thy Sanctuary, are now up in arms to root us out from the earth, for our profeſſion of the Truth. Therefore, O Lord, we pray thee maintain thine own Cauſe. Bleſs our forces by Sea and Land, and grant to the People one heart, one mind, and one ſtrength. Give unto the Counſellors and Captains, Wiſdom and Courage wiſely to fore-ſee, and valiantly to defeat the Devices of their enemies. Keep all the Soldiers from Treaſon and Treachery, the Leaders from wrong Plots, the People from tumults, and all of them from thoſe ſins and enormities that follow the Camp, and the evil that may juſtly follow the ſame.

Strengthen (O Lord) and hold up the hand

hand of *Moſes*, and the weapens of the Church, Prayers and Tears, that our Faſting and Prayer may be heard, and *Iſrael* may have the Victory. Put *Siſera* to flight in thy good time; and rather than he return to do miſchief, bring him to his end by a hand unlook'd for. *Turn* the Weapons of him and his followers into their own boſomes; ſcatter, break and ſink their Ships; deſtroy their Armies, and confound their Forces. Conſider, O Lord, the end of our enterprizes, how we fight for thy truth, and either reconcile us to our enemies by thy Spirit, to worſhip one God and hold one truth, or elſe abate their pride, and confound them in their malice, to thy honour and glory, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

Another in time of War.

Pſal. 34. 17. *The Angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.*

O Lord God of Hoſts, that hath heretofore ſundry times miraculouſly defended us, we beſeech thee, ſhew thy ſelf in this needful time; Bleſs and preſerve us, who have repoſed our truſt only in thee. Bleſs our Armies abroad, which are joyned together for the de-

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fence of thy truth, and the ſafety of our Country: Sanctify us likewiſe at home, to pleaſe thee, that whatſoever they or we do may proſper.

Be preſent and preſident at all their Conſultations, and give thou the caſting voice in all determinations. Suggeſt heroical motions into the hearts of their Leaders: Baniſh all heart-burnings and diviſions: And aſſiſt them with the Spirit of Unity and Concord, that they may ſtrive all one good way. Make them wiſer than their enemies: Yea, give them more experience than the aged, and better intelligence, and more ſound advertiſement than their foes. Lord, anoint their Shields, bleſs their Swords, hallow and conſecrate all their weapons and engines of War, with happy ſucceſs to do thy Will.

Bleſs the ſeaſon of the Year unto them, and ſweeten the cloſe Air in their multitude, that neither Sun nor Moon annoy them, nor alteration of the diet or place diſable them from their Service. Command the Winds and Sea to favour them, and let the Land ſpeak Peace unto them. O Lord, diſappoint the counſels and power of thine enemies; and make a joyful Peace for thy Servants, through Jeſus Chriſt our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen*.

A Prayer for Comfort to the Sick Persons.

Hos. 6. 1. *Come and let us return unto the Lord: For he hath torn, and he will heal us: He hath smitten, & he will bind us up.*

O Most gracious God, and loving Father, which giveſt health, to make us the better to acknowledge thee, and thy liberality towards us; and ſometimes ſends ſickneſs to recal us to amendment when we have ſinned againſt thee: We thy humble Servants, for this and all thy Servants, thus afflicted, do humbly beſeech thee, not to enter into a ſevere Judgment with him for his life and condition, but in remembrance of thine own Mercy, to forgive him his ſins, and upon the ſatisfaction of thy Son, to acquit him of thy Judgments: O Lord, grant him a true zeal of thy Holy Name, and all affections agreeable to thy bleſſed Will, that he may rightly receive the gracious offers of thy great mercy; Qualifie, Lord, all theſe troubles, which either the grievouſneſs of his ſin remembred, or the bitterneſs of his pangs ſuſtained, the ſubtilty of the common enemy, or the fear of Death may bring upon him, and lay no more upon him, O Lord, than he ſhall be able to bear.

Speak

Speak comfortably unto his Soul, as thou hast done unto all those that have sought for comfort in the like extremities or tribulations. Dispose and move his heart to receive this thy fatherly Correction and gracious Visitation, with the Patience of *Job*, the Faith of *Abraham*, the Joy of *Paul*, the Courage of *Peter*, and a true Submission to thy blessed Will, either for Life or Death; and tho' that these outward Senses, the tongue and voice, be not so quick as they have been to praise thee, and pray unto thee, yet, Lord, we beseech thee, stir up his heart, inflame and inspire his mind to perform all such things as thou requirest, and may be profitable for his Soul, in this combate and extremity.

Apply (O Lord) the holy and wholesome Medicines of thy Son's Passion, Death, and Resurrection unto the Soul of this poor Creature, against the extremity of fear, faintness, doubt and desperation. Take away the extremity of his pain, mitigate his sorrows, make his bed, wipe all his tears from his eyes, and ease his careful Conscience: Comfort him at the hour of his departure; when thou shalt call, open to him the Gate of Mercy; open thine arms to receive him into thy favour, that when the time is come, he may go to the Grave in Peace, being upholden by thee, in the

the assurance of a free Pardon for all his sins, and the hope of a joyful Resurrection. And in the mean time (O Lord) settle his spirits, that they do not wander or fly out into any unruly motions. Continue his remembrance that he may not forget thee, but daily and hourly have thee in mind, which art the Anchor of his safety. Keep his Tongue from all vain and idle talk, his heart from all fears and protect him safe under thy Wing, Be merciful unto us, who as feeling Members of one Body, adore thy Holy Name, and implore thy Divine Help for this thy Servant, and let this Example teach us more Humility, Fear, and Reverence towards thee now, and ever. Hear our Prayers, O Lord for Jesus Christ his sake, *Amen.*

Another for Comfort to the Sick.

James 5. 15. *The Prayer of Faith shall save the Sick, and the Lord shall raise him up: And if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.*

O Lord God, which both in Sickness and Health hast appointed us to pray one for another, promising a Blessing in greatest extremities; we poor sinners, present our selves before thy Majesty, in the behalf of this thy poor Ser-

Servant, that lieth visited under thy hand: Good Lord, we beseech thee, seal in his heart, by thy Holy Spirit, the forgiveness of all sins. Let the sweet feeling, and taste of a lively Faith, dispel all the filthy Corruptions that are in him, that his Body and Soul may be presented pure and undefiled unto thee, in the Blood of thy Son.

Lord, lay not to his charge what he hath said, or done amiss, throughout all the whole course of his life, but rear him up in hope, speak comfortably unto his Soul, and lead him by thy Spirit unto the Treasures of thy Mercy. Take from him the fear and sorrow of Death; raise the Siege of his Spiritual Enemies that are round about him, and give him strength against all the Assaults of the Devil, that he may have a perfect Victory; let the knowledge of thee (which he hath learned since thou didst call him) stand him now in stead, and relieve his Faith, that he may have true Repentance, and yield unto thee true Obedience, and hearty Thanks for whatsoever thou shalt do unto him.

O Lord, give unto him a taste of thy Glory, and those Joys which thou hast prepared for him, that in the comfort thereof he may fight a good Fight, keeping the Faith; and when the time of his departure shall come, give him grace willing-

willingly to forsake this present evil World, to die in thy favour, and to live with thee for ever. Grant this (O Lord) for Jesus Christ his sake, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer before a Man undertakes a Journey by Sea or Land

Exod. 13. 20, 21. *So they took their Journey, and the Lord went before them by day in a Pillar of a Cloud, to lead them in the way, and by night in a Pillar of Fire, to give them light.*

O Lord God, thou keeper of *Israel*, who preservest our going out, and our coming in, into thy hands I commit my self, and all that I have either at home or abroad. In the Name of Jesus, that was wearied in his Journey, and set down upon the Well, I beseech thee to direct my paths in this my Journey as thou didst *Jacob* in his Journey to *Laban*, *Jonah* at Sea, and the Children of *Israel* in the Wilderness, and passing over *Jordan*. Grant me Health Strength and Courage, and refresh me when I am weary; keep me from all the hands of Spoilers, the slight and deceits of Thieves and Robbers, and from savage Beasts: Grant that whersoever I come I may find godly Men, which may Honestly, Reli-

Religiously and Courteously entertain me, Keep me from lewd Company, that I partake not of their wickedness: But let thy fear be always before mine eyes, to avoid all wandring paths,

Shew me (O Lord) in the day-time thy comfortable Pillar of Cloud, and in the night, thy Pillar of Fire, that both day and night may see to escape the hands of all mine Enemies, and they may be afraid to attempt any thing against me, when they shall see thy wonderful Protection of me.

Make me partaker of all good Prayers: furnish me with Necessaries while I shall be abroad, as Bread to eat, and Cloaths to put on; and when my Business is finished, bring me home again, and grant that I may find my Friends, Wife, Children and Family, in perfect health at my return; yet, Lord, if thou hast so appointed, that before I return, I must go to my long home, and die in this Voyage, I beseech thee that upon whatsoever this Vessel of my Body be split, or wheresoever this Tabernacle fall, yet my Soul may be saved, and arrive at the Land of Promise, the everlasting Haven of the Elect, for Jesus Christ his sake, *Amen.*

A Prayer in time of any preſent danger, or other Affliction.

Job 2. 10. *What, ſhall we receive good at the hand of God, and ſhall we not receive evil?*

O Eternal God, which ſhutteſt and no man openeth, and openeſt, and no man ſhutteth; my humble requeſt unto thee, I for my ſelf, and all ſuch as ſuffer any Croſs of Affliction in Body or Mind, that it would pleaſe thee to ſend them eaſe and deliverance in thy good time.

For my ſelf, O Lord, I beſeech thee give me grace to acknowledge this grievous Affliction to be thy Fatherly Correction of my ſin, that I may learn to be more careful of my Duty. I thank thee, that thou haſt laid no more upon me, nor puniſhed me to my confuſion; I beſeech thee, grant me a more patient mind, and ſtay thy hand in due time that I may recover my ſtrength, with comfort in thee. All is thine, and thou art all; to thee therefore do I fly for ſuccour, for there is none but under thy Wings. The ſorrows of Help, do compaſs me round about, the fear of death is before mine eyes: Help, O help me; ſave me, O ſave me for thine own ſake, for thy Son's ſake, for thy

thy Mercies ſake, for I am the workmanſhip of thy hands.

Keep my Senſes, Underſtanding and Judgment from every conceit that tendeth to fear, fury, or diſtruſt in thy mercy; O Lord, adviſe and teach me wiſdom, and moderation in my grief; yea, with thy power over-rule, that it be not my overthrow.

Of thy mercy, Lord comfort the appaled Conſciences of all that grieve under the burthen of their ſins, fearing the heavineſs of thy wrath. Have mercy upon all thoſe whoſe tender affections are too nearly touch'd with the loſs of their Companions, Children, or Friends, and let them not take any thing to heart, otherwiſe than may ſtand with good Diſcretion, Reaſon, and Chriſtian moderation.

Give thy Comforts and Conſolations unto all thoſe that, by any means, ſuffer trouble or torments for the profeſſion of thy Goſpel, or the ſervice of their Prince. And if it pleaſe thee to detain ſome under a long Croſs, either for thy great glory, or their further tryal; yet, Lord, let them not be tempted above their ſtrength, that ſo they may perſevere unto the end.

O Lord, weaken the power of Satan, and the tyranny of his Miniſters, which either by inward temptations, or outward

ward violence have bred the woe of thy Servants; and rid them from all their troubles, that they may ſing joyful praiſes unto thee, through Jeſus Chriſt, *Amen*,

To ſuch purpoſe alſo may ſerve the Prayer of one afflicted in Conſcience.

A Prayer in time of Plague, or other Extraordinary Sickneſs.

1 Sam. 2. 6. *The Lord killeth and maketh alive; he bringeth down to the Grave and raiſeth up.*

O Lord our God, in whoſe Name ſtandeth our help, and who among other evil haſt promiſed us, to deliver thy people from the ſnare of the hunter, and the noiſome Peſtilence; We beſeech thee, take this thy Plague away from us and as the ſtench of our ſins hath aſcended up into thy noſtrils, to provoke thy wrath againſt us, ſo let our humble ſupplications come before thee, to procure our happy and ſpeedy releaſe from it. Lord call back thine Angel, and cauſe him to ſheath the Sword again. We are thy Children, the work of thy hands: We are ſorry for our ſins, which are the cauſe of all this, and we purpoſe amendment: We are but men, duſt and aſhes, not able to bear long; therefore Lord have mercy

cy upon us, and that ſoon; ſend us comfort, and ſuffer us not to periſh after ſo miſerable a ſort.

We thank thee, O Lord, that thou haſt not left us altogether comfortleſs without hope, but haſt ſomewhat withdrawn thy hand, and ſpared many hundreds of us in compariſon of thoſe whom thou ſlewest before. And now we rejoyce at this abatement, yet ſtand in awe; we preſume upon this thy favour, but with fear and trembling: We truſt it ſhall be every day better, yet we are careful to win it by pleaſing thee. Wherefore, O Lord, we beſeech thee bleſs us, and all thoſe that depend upon us; ſet thy ſaving mark upon our Houſes, as thou didſt for the *Iſraelites*, and give order to the Deſtroyer that he hurt us not. Put thy ſtrength to our Medicines, guard our regard which we have of our ſelves. Let thy bleſſing make the preſervatives of the Phyſicians, and our ſhutting places of more ſecurity, profitable unto us; and let us not truſt too much in outward means, but chiefly in thy mercy and bleſſing upon them. Keep us down-lying and uprifing, and protect us walking in our Vocations.

Have pity upon our diſtreſſed Brethren, comfort the deſolate Widows, provide for all fatherleſs Children; gather us together again, that by theſe means are

diſperſed, and continue thy merciful work, in diminiſhing our dead members, till we may juſtly ſay in confidence and thanks, with the Prophet, *We ſhall not die, but live and declare the works of the Lord.* Grant this (O Lord) for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, our only Lord and Saviour, Amen.

A Prayer to be uſed in time of Thunder and Lightning.

Pſal. 18. 13. *The Lord thundered in the Heavens, and the Higheſt gave his Voice, Hail-ſtones and Coals of Fire.*

O Almighty and Eternal God, by whoſe power the Mountains ſmoke, the Heavens tremble, and the Earth ſhaketh; at whoſe anger the Sea roars, the Waters ſwell, and fearful depths are broken up, preſerve us, we beſeech thee, from thine unſupportable Wrath, procured by our ſins; call them not into Judgment, but mercifully forgive them, and look chearfully upon us in Chriſt Jeſus, thy Son, and our Advocate: Defend us from all evil now threatned in this ſtorm; make our habitations like the land of *Goſhen*, in the time of the Plagues of *Egypt*, and keep us from ſudden and untimely death. Grant, O Lord, that this great and fearful tempeſt of Rain,

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Thunder and Lightning, may pass away, without doing any hurt to the bodies, houses or goods of us, or any of our Brethren; O Lord hear us, O Lord save us, that with joyful hearts, we may give thanks unto thee, now and evermore, Amen.

The ancient Prayer, called, O bountiful Jesus.

O Bountiful Jesus, which art full of mercy and truth, have pity upon me, according to thy great mercy, by the same precious Blood which thou wast content to shed upon the Cross for us miserable Sinners. I beseech thee, vouchsafe to cast all mine Iniquities out of thy sight, and despise not me who thus humbly beg of thee, crying and calling upon thy holy Name, a Name of Salvation; but what is Jesus but Saviour.

O God which hast created me, and redeemed me with thine own Blood, suffer me not (whom thou hast made of nought) to be damned. Let not my wickedness have power to destroy me whom thine Almighty goodness hath made. I acknowledge that which is thine in me, and that which is not of thee, take that away from me. O Lord, even now, while the time of mercy is, have mercy upon me, and let me not

be confounded at the time of thy fearful Judgments.

O good Jesus, although I, a vile sinner, by thy strict Justice, have deserved to be punished everlastingly for my most grievous Sins, yet, having sure confidence in the truth of thy Righteousness, I appeal to thy unspeakable mercy, I am sure thou wilt have mercy upon me, like a loving, and a merciful Father.

O Lord, What profit is there in my Blood, if I descend into the Pit of eternal Corruption? For surely, they that be dead shall not magnifie thee, or any that go down into the place of silence. O most merciful Saviour, have mercy upon me.

O Jesus, accept me a vile Sinner among the number of them whom thou hast elected to salvation. Thou art the health of all that hope in thee; have mercy upon me, and remit all my sins; O pour thy Grace into my heart, endue me with wisdom, charity, chastity, and humility, and in all my adversity, grant me a holy, inviolable, and stedfast patience, that I may perfectly love thee, and have my only delight and affiance in thee, World without end, Amen.

Supplications
OF
SAINTS.

The Third Part.

DAVID's Suit.

Pſal. 142. 2.

I poure I out my complaint before him, I ſhewed him my trouble.

Orig. ſup. Levit. Hom. 9. Cap. 16.
Unuſquiſque holocauſtum, &c.

Every one hath his Sacrifice to do.

This Part containeth Prayers in the Names of divers Parties of ſeveral Eſtates.

Queen Elizabeth's *Prayer of Thanksgiving for the overthrow of the* Spaniſh *Navy, ſent to Invade* England, *Anno Dom.* 1588.

MOſt Omnipotent Creator, Redeemer, and Conſerver, when it ſeemed a moſt fit time to thy worthy Providence to beſtow the Workmanſhip of this World's Globe, with thy rare Judgment; thou didſt divide into four ſingular parts, the form of all this Mold, which after-time hath termed Elements, all they ſerving to continue in orderly Government of all the Maſs. Which all, when of thy moſt ſingular Bounty, and never yet ſeen Care, that haſt this Year made ſerve for Inſtruments to daunt our Foes, and confound their Malice; I moſt humbly, with bowed heart, and bended knees, do tender my humble acknowledgements and loweſt thanks: And not the leaſt, for that the weakeſt Sex hath been ſo fortified, by thy ſtrongeſt help, that neither my People need find lack by my weakneſs, nor Foreigners triumph at my ruin: Such hath been thy unwonted Grace in my days, as tho' Satan had never made holy-day in practicing for my Life and State, yet thy mighty hand hath over-ſpread both with the ſhade of thy wings, ſo that neither hath been overthrown, nor received

ſhame,

ſhame, but abide with bleſſing, to thy moſt greateſt glory, and their great Ignominy. For which, Lord, of thy meer goodneſs, grant us Grace to be hourly thankful and ever mindful. And if it may pleaſe thee to grant my requeſt, give us thy countenance and favour in my days, of like goodneſs, that my years may never ſee change of ſuch Grace to me, and eſpecially to this Kingdom: Which, Lord grant (for thy Son's ſake) may flouriſh many ages after my end, Amen.

Queen Elizabeth's *Prayer for the Succeſs of her Navy*, Anno Dom. 1599.

MOſt Omnipotent Maker, and Guider of all the World's Maſs, that only ſearcheſt and fathomeſt the bottom of all hearts conceits, and in them ſeeſt the true Original of all Actions intended: Thou that by thy foreſight doſt truly diſcern how no Malice or Revenge, nor quittance of injury,, nor deſire of Bloodſhed, nor greedineſs of Lucre, hath bred the Reſolution of our now-ſet-out Army; but a heedful care, and a wary watch, that no neglect of Foes, nor overſurety of harm might breed either danger to us, or glory to them.

Theſe being the grounds, thou that didſt inſpire the mind, we humbly beſeech thee with bended knees, proſper the

work, and with the beſt ſore-winds ſpeed the Journey, give the Victory, and make the return the advancement of thy Glory, the trump of thy Fame, and the ſurety of the Realm, with the leaſt loſs of *Engliſh* Blood. To theſe devout Petitions, Lord give thy bleſſed Grant, Amen.

Queen Elizabeth's *Prayer for her Navy*, 1597.

O God, All-Maker, Keeper, and Guider; Inurement of thy rarely ſeen, unuſed, and ſeldom heard-of goodneſs, poured in ſo plentiful ſort upon us full oft, breeds now this boldneſs to crave with bowed knees, and hearts of humility, thy large hand of helping power, to aſſiſt with wonder our juſt Cauſe, not founded on Pride's Motion, nor begun on Malice-ſtock, but as thou beſt knoweſt (to whom nought is hid) grounded on our defence from wrongs, hate, and bloody deſires of Conqueſt.

For ſince thou haſt imparted means to ſave that which thou haſt given, by enjoying of ſuch a People as ſcorns their blood-ſhed where ſafety is none, to uſe all lawful means to defend themſelves: Fortify, dear God, ſuch hearts in ſuch ſort as their beſt parts may be worſt, that are the worſt, that to the trueſt part, meant worſt, may redound to a happy

happy Victory, with leaſt loſs to ſuch a Nation as deſpiſe their Lives for their Countries good, in a good Cauſe, that all foreign Lands may laud and admire the Omnipotency of thy Works, a fact alone for thee only to perform: So ſhall thy Name be ſpread for Wonders wrought, and the faithful incouraged to repoſe in thy unfellowed Grace, and we that minded nought but right, be enchanted in thy bonds for perpetual ſlavery, and live and die in the ſacrifices of our Souls, for ſuch obtained favor: Warrant, dear Lord, all this with thy command, Amen.

The Houſholders Prayer.

Pſal. 55. 22. *Caſt thy burden upon the Lord, and he ſhall ſuſtain thee: He ſhall not ſuffer the Righteous to be moved.*

O Moſt mighty God, merciful and loving Father, I wretched ſinner come unto thee, in the Name of thy dearly beloved Son Jeſus Chriſt, my only Saviour and Redeemer, and moſt humbly beſeech thee to be merciful unto me, and to caſt all my Sins out of thy ſight and remembrance, thro' the Merits of his bloody Death and Paſſion. Pour upon me (O Lord) thy holy Spirit of Wiſdom and Grace; govern and lead me by thy holy Word,

that it may be a Lanthorn to my feet, and a light unto my ſteps: ſhew thy mercy upon me, and ſo lighten the natural blindneſs and darkneſs of my heart, through thy Grace, that I may be daily renewed by the ſame Spirit and Grace: By the which, O Lord, purge the groſneſs of my Hearing and Underſtanding, that I may profitably read, hear, and underſtand thy Word, and heavenly Will, believe and practice the ſame in my Life and Converſation, and evermore hold faſt the bleſſed hope of eternal Life.

Mortify and kill all Vice in me, that my Life may expreſs my faith in thee: mercifully hear the humble ſuit of thy Servant, and grant me thy peace all my days: graciouſly pardon all my Infirmities, and defend me in all dangers of body, goods or name: but moſt chiefly my Soul, againſt all aſſaults, temptations, accuſations, ſubtle ſlights and baits of that old enemy of Mankind, Satan that roaring Lion, ever ſeeking whom he may devour: Favourably protect and keep all that thou haſt given me, Wife, Children or Servants; and aid me, O Lord, with thy Grace, that I may be able to govern, nouriſh, and bring them up in thy fear and ſervice.

Caſt a gracious eye upon me, and lend me thy directing hand, that the labour and pains which I am to under-

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take this day may proſper, and let all my dealing be juſt and true: Bleſs (O Lord) thy Univerſal Church; and perfect the work which thou haſt begun among us. Bear our moſt gracious KING, and all his Princely PROGENY, always in thine own boſom, and ſet thine eyes always upon him for good. Let the Spirit of knowledge and holineſs remain in his Miniſters. Bleſs all his Council with Wiſdom and Diſcretion, his Nobles with Fortitude and Courage, his Judges with Juſtice and Mercy, his Magiſtrates with Diligence and Faithfulneſs, his People with Fear and Obedience, that we may all with one mind, and one mouth; ſay with the Prophet, *He that is mighty hath done great things for us, and Holy is his Name*, Amen.

Another of the Houſholders.

Eph. 6. 9. *Know that your Maſter alſo is in Heaven, neither is there reſpect of Perſons with him.*

LEad me (O Lord) in the way of thy Truth and Righteouſneſs, and govern all my actions to all thy glory, the good of thy Church, and the Diſcharge of my Duty; defend and deliver me from all Temptations, from all mine Enemies, and from all deceits and dangers. Kindle

dle in my heart and mind a fervent zeal of thy Holy Word, that I may understand and know thy will, and walk in thy ways; strengthen me with thy Holy Spirit, boldly and constantly to profess the honour and service of thy Holy Name, least at any time through fear of wordly Afflictions, I fall from thee.

Give me a contented mind with my Estate, and such blessings as thou (O Lord) of thy Bountiful goodness and mercy hast bestowed upon me, that I may use them, and be thankful for them: Grant me patience in all my troubles and Afflictions, that I neither grudge at thy Fatherly Corrections, knowing them to be tokens of thy love, and Instruments of my exercise and tryal; neither seek revenge of my wrongs, knowing vengeance to be thine, and that thou wilt reward it in due season.

Keep my mind from all evil thoughts, my tongue from lewd and vain speeches, my body, and every member thereof, from all sinful Actions. Let all my love, my faith and hope, my delight and confidence, only and always be in thee. Open my heart to have pity upon my poor Brethren, give me the Gift of Chastity, that I may possess my Vessel in Holiness and Honour, and not in the least Concupiscence: and as the Heathen do, which know not God.

Give

Give me, O Lord, sorrow for my Sin, thankfulness for thy Benefits, fear of thy Judgments, and love of thy Mercies: And teach me to bring up my Children, and govern my Servants in good Order and godly Discipline, according to thy holy Ordinances; and because by thy grace I am that I am, let thy demands be no greater than thou hast given me grace to perform. O Lord, pardon and forgive all my sins, and grant me grace to live in thy fear, and die in thy favour, that I may rise to live with my Lord Jesus, evermore dwell with him in thy most glorious and joyful Kingdom, the only thing I desire and hope for, through the merits of the same Jesus Christ, thy only Son, and my only Lord and Saviour, Amen.

The Wives Prayer for her Husband, in Absence, or otherwise.

Psal. 37.4. *Delight thy self also in the Lord, & he shall give thee the desires of thy heart.*

O Lord God, which hast made every married Couple one Flesh, and hast ordained they should be of one mind and Judgment, and careful one for another, as members one for another: I beseech thee, lead me and my Husband in the way of thy truth and righteous-

ness;

neſs ; govern all our actions to thy glory, the good of thy Church, and the diſcharge of our duties. Defend and deliver us (O Lord) from all temptations, from all our Enemies, or from all deceits and dangers here or elſe where.

Grant my Husband being abroad, to proſper in his buſineſs, and ſend him a healthful and happy return home, that I (who without him am ſorrowful in my ſelf, and ſhould be a ſtranger to the world if he were not) may with him live in the Eſtate of thine Honourable Ordinance, in peace and comfort, and always for thy great goodneſs and mercy towards us, praiſe thy moſt Holy Name.

Grant us both Grace, O Lord, one to love and cheriſh the other ; and to be faithful & dutiful towards the other ; and give us both the gift of Chaſtity and Sobriety, that both in body and mind we may live a pure life, bringing up our Children and governing our Servants with Godly Diſcipline and good Order, in and according to thy Holy Word.

O Lord, pardon and forgive both of us all our ſins, and grant us both grace to love, honour, fear, and ſerve thee all the days of this our miſerable and ſinful life, that in this life we may have comfort in that which thou haſt given us, and after our death, we may receive the fruits of that hope, which we have laid

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up in thy mercies, through the merits and mediation of thy Son Jesus Christ, our only Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

The Widows Prayer.

Deut. 10. 18. *The Lord doth execute the judgment of the Fatherless and Widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment.*

O Lord God, which art near touched with a care of the afflicted, and despisest not the Widow when she poureth out her Prayers before thee; I beseech thee to have compassion upon me, a poor and desolate Widdow. And whereas the bands of Death have made a separation between me and my Husband, who was my head, and the best stay I had in this World next under thee; I beseech thee, let me not take this Cross impatiently, but trust in thy goodness, that nothing may be able to separate me from thee, which art mine only stay, and the joy of my Soul. Preserve me, Lord, from the paws of ravenous and greedy Cormorants, which lie in wait to supplant the weakest, and devour our Houses under the pretence of Godliness, and colour of Right. Grant that in the sight of all Governours and Judges, I may find favour, and equal dealing in my suits and complaints against all violent Oppressors. Give

Give unto all men willing and ready minds to do me good, and open their hearts to help and pleaſure me in all reaſonable demands: Provide for me, by miniſtring food and raiment fit for my eſtate; have pity upon me in all my neceſſities, and ſtretch out thy hand to deliver me.

Bleſs me as thou didſt that poor Woman of *Sarepta*, that that ſmall thing which thou haſt given me, may ſerve to ſupply the neceſſary uſes of me and mine; diſpoſe the hearts of my Children and Servans to Obedience, Peace, and Holineſs, that I which am the weaker Veſſel, deprived of him whoſe countenance ſhould have kept them in awe, may by thy help, bring them up in godly Diſcipline. Give me the graces of thy Holy Spirit, that at all times, and in all afflictions I may truſt in thee, and continue in Prayers and Supplications day and night, but ſuch as befit a modeſt Matron, and the Handmaid of the Lord: for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, our only Saviour and Redeemer, *Amen.*

The Prayer of Women with Child.

John 16. 21. *A Woman when ſhe is in Travail hath ſorrow, becauſe her hour is come.*

O Lord God, by whoſe Decree, for the offences of our firſt Parents, we

we bare in our Wombs, and bring forth Children in pain and ſorrow, be merciful unto me, that now feel the accompliſhment of that Sentance in my ſelf: And as thou haſt vouchſafed me this Bleſſing, to conceive in my Womb, that which thou haſt wrought until this time: ſo grant that in due time, I may ſee the fruit of my Body, ſafe, ſound and perfect, without blemiſh or deformity.

Keep me, O Lord, from an untimely Birth, grant that through Prayer, Faith and Patience, I may eſcape all ſudden fears, and unadviſed thoughts. Comfort me when I ſhall draw near unto my hard labour, and when I ſhall fall into thoſe terrors, horrors, and pangs, which accompany that hour, ſhew thy mercy upon me and my Babe, that my ſins may be forgiven me, and that it may not be puniſhed for my Offences: Give me patience, that I be not too fearful and unruly, but that I may remember what Modeſty befitteth a Woman in thoſe dangers, and repoſe all my affiance in thee; O Lord, ſend me help, and preſerve me, that I periſh not.

Grant me, O Lord, ſafe deliverance in due time, and make me a joyful Mother when that hour cometh; let not my ſins ſo many be called in queſtion, either now, or at that inſtant, but forget, O Lord, and forgive them;

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bleſs my poor Infant, and lodge it in the virtue of thy Covenant, and when thou ſhalt be pleaſed to call it into open light, give me wiſdom and ſtrength to bring it up in thy fear, and (as it were) to travail again with it, till it be born again unto a heavenly Life, to thy greater Glory, and my further Joy, through Jeſus Chriſt our only Lord, Amen.

The Midwives Prayer.

Pſal. 68. 35. *O God, wonderful thou art in thy holy Places; even the God of Iſrael, he will give ſtrength and power unto his People; bleſſed be God.*

O Lord God, which only haſt power to take all Children out of their Mothers Wombs, and to bring them into the light of this World: I thy unworthy Servant, whom thou haſt deputed to this great buſineſs, for the help and comfort of many in their Extremities, do moſt humbly on bended knees beſeech thee to vouchſafe me thy gracious aſſiſtance in the ſame.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord, and in all mine actions let me have thy fear before mine eyes, that I may be careful both for rich and poor, to do good, and not hurt; to ſave life, and not to deſtroy. Help mine infirmities and imperfect-

perfections, that I be neither too fearful nor too violent in doing my Duty; and grant me skill and judgment happily to finish every work that I shall undertake.

Give me, O Lord, an understanding and tender heart, a ready, steddy, and gentle hand, a watchful eye, and willing mind. Mercifully look upon me, O Lord, that whensoever I shall be called to do my Office, either by night or day, to the sick, or to the sound, I may be defended from all bodily harms, and preserved from the infection of all contagious Diseases, by thy gracious favour. Prosper, O Lord, the works of my hands, O prosper thou my handy-work, that I may do all things to thy Glory, the comfort of all good Women, and mine own Credit, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, Amen.

A Prayer in time of Womens Travail.

Psal. 90. 16. *Let thy work (O Lord) appear unto thy Servants, and thy glory unto their Children.*

O Gracious God, and loving Father, of whom the whole Family of Heaven and Earth is named, we beseech thee mercifully hear the voice of all thy hand-maids here assembled in thy Name,

Name, for the help of this our Sister in her Agony now approaching: Lord, look upon her in mercy, mitigate the Judgment thou haſt laid upon her, and all Women for ſin. Give her courage of heart, and ſtrength of body, to bear the pangs of her labour ſo fearful, hard, and vehement. Sweeten them with the drops of thy mercy, and qualify them by thy gracious Power: pardon her Offences, and receive her Prayers.

Loving Father, give her patience and willingneſs to be adviſed and ordered by her Friends in ſo great a work; that ſhe may remember, that as in Juſtice thou haſt greatly increaſed her ſorrows and conceptions, ſo it is thy Will to have a holy ſeed brought forth into the World, which being ſanctified by thy Grace, may be conſecrated here to ſuch godly ſervices as thou haſt appointed, and afterwards made partaker of Glory in the Kingdom of Heaven.

And therefore (O Lord) we pray thee bleſs her, and the fruit of her Womb; let thy mercy be no leſs ſhewed in the Birth, than in the forming and faſhioning of that ſhe beareth. Guide all our hands that are about her, and lay to thy helping hand with us. Give her an eaſy and ſpeedy deliverance. But if it be thy Will to lay any great weight of thy wrath upon her, according to thy doom,

doom, yet good Lord, we beseech thee, let thy holy Spirit so comfort her inwardly with thy promises, made to all, and thy goodness shewed to others, that neither her natural frailty, nor the temptations of Satan, nor the extremities of her Throws, cause her to faint.

O Lord, we pray thee comfort her, help her, ease her, finish thy work in her (O thou preserver of mankind) that she being safely delivered, and her Babe preserved, they may both live, grow, and prosper in health and strength, to thy Will and pleasure, and we altogether praise thy holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour: In whose Name we conclude our Prayers, saying, *Our Father*, &c.

A Prayer after the Deliverance of Women.

Psal. 127. 3. *Lo Children are an heritage of the Lord, and the fruit of the Womb is his Reward.*

O Lord God, by whom all Men and Women are wonderfully and fearfully made, we give thee most humble thanks, that in thy Judgment towards this our Sister, thou hast remembred mercy in giving her safe deliverance, together with a comely fruit of her Body. Good Lord, we pray thee continue thy great

great goodneſs towards her, and keep her from all further annoyance and dangers of Child-bed. Preſerve her night and day, ſleeping and waking, that ſo in her time ſhe may be reſtored to her former health and ſtrength, and walk in her Vocation, according to thy Will, with Thankſgiving.

Give thy bleſſing to the Infant now born, that it may in due time increaſe in all Wiſdom, Stature, and favour with God and Men; that it may be partaker of the ſacred Seal of holy Baptiſm, and be born a-new by the power of the Spirit; live a holy ſanctified life in this World, and afterwards be made heir of everlaſting Life. O Lord, bleſs the Mother alſo for the Babes good, that ſhe may have ſtrength and means to bring it up in thy fear, and uſe all ſuch good endeavours as become as careful and natural Mother.

Lord, give thy Grace to all us which have been eye-witneſſes of this thy mercy and goodneſs; and let this, and all other thy works, daily put us in mind to be thankful unto thee for our Creation, Preſervation, and all other thy good Gifts, to call upon thee, love, and fear thee, walking in thy ſight, in all Sobriety, Chaſtity and Godlineſs, from this day forward for evermore, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, Amen.

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The Childrens Prayer in their Father's Life-time.

Prov. 10. 1. *A Wise Son maketh a glad Father; but a foolish Son is the heavineſs of his Mother.*

O Heavenly Father, Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, and of all that believe in him, endue me, I beſeech thee, with thy holy Spirit, that I may be a Babe of thy Heavenly Family, regenerated and made a new Creature in the ſame Chriſt Jeſus our Saviour. Make me by all means to honour my Parents, after the example of thy Son our Saviour, and not by any means to breed their ſorrow and grief; that when thou ſhalt ſee it good to make me Ancient, and bleſs me with Children, then I may have joy in them by their Obedience and Holineſs.

Joyn (O Lord) unto the towardneſs of my Nurture, the aid of thy Grace, that I be not ſeduced by falſe teachers to corruption, either in faith, or in manners, but that all my underſtanding and conceits, may tend to the good of my Soul, and the bettering of my Life.

Reſtrain (O Lord) the untamedneſs of my Youth, which at this time is wont to begin to ſhew it ſelf, that I never paſs the limits of thy good pleaſure.

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Keep me from wandring Concupiſcence and Idleneſs, from wicked Company and naughty Fellowſhip.

Forgive me all the miſdemeanors which I have at any time committed againſt Thee, and my Parents; and give me ability and grace to help them in their weakeſt age and greateſt need, remembring the pains which my Mother endured for me, and the Charges of my Father. Make me obedient unto them, and all other my Betters, Teachers and Governors: Help me in all dangers and neceſſities, and grant me thy favour all the days of my life, and thy Kingdom at the end, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, *Amen.*

Another Prayer of Children.

Pſal. 37. 5. *Commit thy way unto the* Lord, *truſt alſo in him, and he ſhall bring it to paſs.*

O Lord God, I beſeeh thee to lead my Parents in the way of thy Truth and Righteouſneſs. Govern all their actions to thy glory, the good of the Church, and the diſcharg of their duties, Defend and deliver them from all their Enemies, and from all deceits and dangers; that I, who am a Child in age, underſtanding and diſcretion, may by thy godly wiſdom, care and painfulneſs, be

be brought up in all godly inſtructions, nurture, and good order, and ſo live and ſerve thee in righteouſneſs and holineſs all my days.

Grant me (O Lord) an obedient and dutiful mind not only towards my Parents, but to all ſuch as it ſhall pleaſe them to make Inſtructors and Rulers over me, that I may ſubmit my ſelf to their godly admonitions and government. Incline my heart now in my tender years to ſeek for wiſdom and good learning with all diligence. Preſerve me from all evil ways, and lewd Company.

Mortifie, O Lord, the raging luſts and follies of youthful affections; O Lord, pardon and forgive me all my ſins, that I may live in thy fear, and die in thy favour, and ſo receive the Inheritance of that place, that thou in Heaven haſt prepared for me, through Jeſus Chriſt my Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

The Orphan's or Fatherleſs Child's Prayer

Pſal. 27. 10. *When my Father and my Mother forſake me, then the Lord will take me up.*

O Lord God, the ſuccor of all them that are in diſtreſs, and Father of the Fatherleſs; I poor Orphan, by thine appointment, deprived of my Parents, and

chiefeſt ſtay in this World; I beſeech thee to hear my deſire, and to ſet thine eyes upon me for good. Have pity upon me, O Lord, and in all perils and neceſſities, ſtretch out thy helping hand, and deliver me; appoint me faithful Patrons and Guardians, which will be touched with an earneſt care of my welfare, that I may be brought up in thy fear, unto every good work.

Give me grace to be obedient unto thoſe that have the overſight of me, to hearken to good counſel, to fear thee, and to avoid evil Company.

Grant that I may find favour and upright dealing at the hands of them that have the over-ſight of me, and before all other the Governors and Judges whatſoever. Let me not be oppreſſed by the mighty, or ſeduced by the crafty and ſubtle: but deliver me from the greedy and devouring Cormorants, and diſſembling Friends, that would make a Prey of me.

Let me not run to and fro to ſeek my bread, but provide for me (O Lord) I pray thee, food and raiment; and ſo furniſh me in this ſhort time of my Pilgrimage, that I may have a competent Living. Bleſs my ſtudies and endeavours, increaſe my years and knowledge to fit always my Eſtate and Calling; direct me with thy Spirit and bleſs me now

now and evermore, for Jesus Christ's sake, Amen.

The Scholar's Prayer.

Prov. 6. 23. *The Commandment is a lamp, and the Law is light; and reproofs of Instruction are the way of Life.*

O Lord God, which hast said, If any Man lack wisdom, let him ask it of God, which giveth to all men liberally, and reproacheth no man, and it shall be given him; I beseech thee, breath into my Soul the spirit of Understanding, that in my Child-hood I may learn; and as I grow further into Years, I may practice the study of those things only that are agreeable to thy Laws. Have mercy upon me, and lighten my Understanding with the beams of thy Divine Wisdom, that I may have Judgment to make the best choice; Wit and Capacity to conceive, and Memory to retain and bear away all such good things as I shall hear or read.

Lord, hew and square the rough Table of my heart, prepare it and make it smoothe, and fit to receive into it the impressions of thy Divine Grace and Wisdom. Grant that I may always carfeully seek for the Pearls of true knowledge,

and obediently submit my self to all those that are my Teachers, and have the over-sight of me. Give me such a desire to attain unto Knowledge, that my study, through thy working, may be pleasure unto me; and that I may not wilfully lose, or vainly bestow that precious time which never can be called again. Pour into me thy holy Spirit, that all my travail and pains in study, being blessed by thee, I may plentifully reap the fruit of my labours, and be thankful to thee.

O Loving Father, be thou my Schoolmaster to instruct me, and let all my Studies be referred to the right end, that I be neither infected with Heresy, nor partaker of any Sect or Schism: Lord, when I shall have attained unto any measure of Knowledge, let it not puff me up to stand high in my own Conceit, or be proud of thy Gifts; but let me be wise unto Sobriety, and carry my self humbly, lowly, and modestly, and so order all my studies and endeavours, good Father, that I may firmly resolve, speedily perform, and constantly continue in doing any thing that is agreeable to thy Will; that so every thing may serve me for my furtherance to a godly and vertuous Life, and the discharge of a good Conscience, thro' Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

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The Soldier's Prayer.

Exod. 15. 3, *The Lord is a Man of War, his name is Jehovah.*

O Lord God of Hosts, which teacheth my hands to fight, and my fingers to battel, I humbly beseech thee to have mercy upon me, that am subject to so many dangers every day, that I fall not before my Enemies: Touch my heart, that I may truly feel my Sins, and worthily lament them before thy Majesty. And since I have undertaken this service, not for any Covetousness or revenge of Blood, but in obedience to my Prince, and to defend a righteous Cause, suffer me not (I beseech thee) to give my members as weapons of unrighteousness unto Sin, but to look carefully unto my ways, seeking to discharge my duty towards thee, and to acquit my self in all Loyalty toward my Prince.

O Lord gird me with strength, and make my way upright: Conduct me with thy hand, encourage me with the Trumpet of thy Word. Arm me with Faith and Hope to thee-ward, and strengthen me to the Combat. Bless all our Company in our Attempts, and suggest unto us the best means to save our selves, and defeat the purposes of our Enemies. Arm

us with thy Grace, that we may manfully fight in thy Quarrel; make our name fearful to our Enemies, and abate their pride: Range us within the limits of Truth and Honesty, that we be not given to those Vices which accompany the War, vile Affections, inordinate Motions, and mercileſs Cruelties.

Lord, it's nothing with thee to help, whether with many or with few: Help us, O Lord our God, for we reſt on thee, and in thy Name we go againſt this Multitude: O Lord, thou art our God, let no Man prevail againſt thee. Keep us we beſeech thee, from Treaſon, Mutinies and Conſpiracies, either againſt our Prince or Captains; Lord, hear the mourning of all Captives detain'd in the hands of their Enemies, and work means for their Deliverance; and if it pleaſe thee at any time to lay that croſs upon us, or otherwiſe to expoſe us to death in the Field, then Lord keep us in thy Faith, that we may live and die thy Soldiers, fighting the good fight of Hope fixt in thee, and die in thy favour, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, Amen.

The Servant's Prayer.

1 Cor. 7. 22. *He that is called in the Lord, being a Servant, is the Lord's Free-man.*

O Lord God, which haſt made us all one in Chriſt Jeſus, whether we be

be bound or free; I beſeech thee, grant me a contented mind, that during the time of my Bondage, I be not aſhamed of that Condition of Life wherein thou haſt placed me: Cloathe me in the Livery of a true Chriſtian, and grant me always to bear the mind of an honeſt Man.

Give me Grace to obey and be ſubject to my earthly Maſters with all fear, whether they be good and courteous, or evil and froward, and to perform their deſigns which croſs not thy Commandments.

Vouchſafe, O Lord, to ſend me an underſtanding heart to manage my buſineſs aright, and make me faithful withal, to be circumſpect and diligent to do all things for the beſt: Grant me a ſingle and true heart, without hypocriſy and diſſimulation, that I do not paſs over my years with an eye-ſervice, as a man-pleaſer, but juſtly and ſincerely, that I may in my time procure that Chriſtian Liberty and Freedom which I ſerve for.

Lord bleſs my maſter in all his Affairs & Dealings; let him not be ſubject to any danger or wrong from others, nor poſſeſſed with any thought of Cruelty towards them that labour faithfully & truly for him. Strengthen my body to perform that buſineſs that I am appointed unto, and keep me from all murmuring and grudging againſt any of my Betters,

and grudging againſt any of my Betters, and envious detracting from the eſtimation of others.

Eſpecially (O Lord) keep me from evil Company, that I be neither enticed to ſpend waſtfully, or embezle any thing committed to my cuſtody, nor hearken unto the perſwaſion of any ſuch as wiſh not well unto my Lord and Maſter.

Send peace and quietneſs between me and my fellows, that in love and kindneſs we may all with one heart and one mind, conſtantly and chearfully, joyn together, to follow our Maſter's buſineſs, and ſerve thee, and after this life, become free-men of the *New Jeruſalem* in Heaven, in the bleſſed company of all faithful People, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, Amen.

Another of the ſame.

Eph. 6. 8. *Whatever good things any man doth, the ſame he ſhall receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free.*

O Lord, our Heavenly Maſter, I do beſeech thee, lead me in the way of thy truth and righteouſneſs: Govern all mine actions to thy Glory, the good of thy Church, and the diſcharge of my Duty: Defend and deliver me (O Lord) from all Temptations, from all mine Ene-

Enemies, and from all Deceits and Dangers,

Bleſs (O Lord) I beſeech thee, my Lord, my Maſter and Miſtreſs, with all heavenly wiſdom and underſtanding, and godlineſs, and with worldly wealth and happineſs, that I who am thy Servant, may by them, and under them, receive not only the ſpiritual food of my Soul, but alſo the temporal ſuſtinance of my Body; doing my ſervice, not outwardly, as deſiring to pleaſe Men, but with ſingleneſs of mind from the heart, as fearing thee, O Lord my God; and whereby I may receive that reward which thou haſt promiſed.

Give me, O Lord, an obedient and dutiful mind towards them, that I may ſubmit my ſelf to their honeſt and lawfull Commandments, and do them true and faithful ſervice, with all humbleneſs and patience.

Grant me grace (O Lord) to frame my life according to thy holy Word, nouriſh mutual love and good will between me and my fellows, preſerve me from all evil ways, lewd company, and illeneſs: Keep my mind from evil thoughts, my tongue from lewd and vain ſpeeches; and my body, and every member thereof, from all ſinful actions: Mortifie in me, Lord, the raging luſts and follies of youthful affections: O Lord,

pardon and forgive me all my ſins, and grant me grace to love, honour, and ſerve thee in holineſs and righteouſneſs all my days, that I may glorify thee in this World, and be glorified of thee in the World to come, through Jeſus Chriſt my only Lord and Saviour, Amen.

The Maid's Prayer.

1 Sam. 25. 24. *Let thy hand-maid, I pray thee, ſpeak in thine audience, and hear the words of thy hand-maid.*

BLeſſed Lord, which in former-time haſt not deſpiſed the low eſtate of Hand-maids when they ſought unto thee, vouchſafe to lend thine ear to the hearty deſires of me thy poor Servant: Conſider, O Lord, that in the labour both of body and mind, I am the weaker Veſſel, of leſs capacity and more infirmity; and beſtow upon my youth much competent ſtrength, that I may grow in ſtature, wiſdom and favour, with God and man: As I grow up in years, ſo Lord, let me grow in grace; Crown my Virginity with chaſte and religious thoughts, and my Body and Mind with godly watchfulneſs, to wait for thy coming with the wiſe Virgins.

Give me grace to think always that a good name, and honeſt reputation is bet-

better than any dowry to a Modeſt Maid. Make my behaviour meek, my talk ſober, my body chaſte, and keep me from lewd and wanton company, that I partake not with them in their follies of Youth: Pardon my fore-paſt vanities, and by the power of thy Spirit, enable my weakneſs to avoid all Evil: Defend me from ſlanderous and baſe Tongues, ſurmiſing Minds, and wicked Temptations, I beſeech thee.

O Lord, make me faithful & truſty; wiſe and wary in ordering of ſuch Goods as are comitted to my cuſtody, by my maſter or miſtreſs, Father or mother: marry me unto thee (O Lord) in Righteouſneſs, in Judgment, in mercy and Compaſſion; and if it be thy will hereafter to call me to the honourable Eſtate of Corporeal Matrimony, make me follow *Rachel* in Love, *Rebecca* in Wiſdom, *Sarah* in Faithfulneſs and Obedience to my Husband, and all other worthy Matrons in modeſty and honeſty, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, our only Lord and Saviour, Amen.

The Mariner's Prayer.

Pſal. 107. 23, 24. *They that go down to the Sea in Ships, and do buſineſs in great Waters, ſee the Works of the Lord, and his wonders in the deep.*

O Lord God, which haſt thy way in the Seas, and thy path in the greateſt

eſt Waters; and haſt appointed as well them as the firm Land, for Men to do their buſineſs in, we beſeech thee, that as thou haſt ordained the Art of Navigation for the comfort and ſecurity of Man, ſo thou wilt be pleaſed to bleſs us and our labours, our company, and the goods that are under our charge, againſt ſuch dangerous and perilous caſualties as our Trade is daily ſubject to.

And thou, Lord Jeſus, who didſt vouchſafe to travel by Ship, to preach out of the Ship, and in the Ship to work Miracles; and once to walk upon the main, as on dry Land, we pray thee ſtill the raging of the Waters when they ariſe, put forth thy hand and ſave us when we ſhall be in danger, as thou didſt the one to thy Diſciples, and all the Company in their Ship; and the other for thy Apoſtle St. *Peter* when he was in great fear, and ready to ſink.

O Holy Ghoſt, which, at the Creation of the Univerſe, didſt graciouſly reſt and move upon the face of the Waters, vouchſafe us a peaceable Voyage, and ſend us ſuch wind and weather, as may ſerve us for a ſafe paſſage, whither we are bound for, our buſineſs, and a joyful return, that being done.

O bleſſed Trinity, one ever-living God, ſave us by Sea and Land, keep us in the violent whirling of the Wind, in the bitter-

bitterneſs of Froſt, Hail, Ice, and Snow, in the dangers of Fire, and the fearful cracks and flaſhes of Thunder and Lightning: Defend us from Pirates and all Robbers, which live upon the ſpoil of the people, and labours of honeſt men: make good our proviſion, both for bodily food and furniture of our Ships: Furniſh us, ſuccour us, defend us, O God, thou Anchor of our Hope, for thy Glory, and for thy Name's ſake, Amen.

The Prayer of one afflicted in Conſcience for ſin.

Dan. 9. 19. O *Lord hear*, O *Lord forgive*, O *Lord hearken and do, defer not for thy own ſake*, O *my God.*

O Moſt merciful God, which, by thy ſending of thy Son into the World, haſt brought to paſs, that where Sin abounded, there Grace abounded much more: I forlorn Wretch, diſquieted in mind, and afflicted in conſcience for fear of thy Judgments upon my Sin, do with bended knees, and tears unfeigned, as a moſt humble Supplicant, beg and crave of thee ſome ſuccour and relief: Open, O open the Gates of thy mercy to the greatneſs of my miſeries; may an abject Countenance witneſs my diſtreſſed mind; my ſpirit is ſorrowful, my heart is hea-

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vy, my words are ſtop'd with ſighs, and my Plaints are wearied with tears, to thee I hold up my hands, to thee I lift up my heart, to thee I pray, requiring of thee mercy. (O Lord) what ſhall I deſire of thee, that deſerve nothing at thy hands? what can I hope for, that am even heartleſs? Lord, if thou hadſt ſaid, *Shall not my Soul be avenged on ſuch an one as this!* Remember thy promiſe elſewhere, *I will have mercy on him that could find no mercy*; and let it light upon me: If Satan preſume, God hath forſaken him, think upon the Decree for the Seed of the Woman, and the Power of thy Son's Paſſion; defeat all the devices of the Devil againſt me.

O Lord hear me ſpeedily, if thou do not, then I am out of hope; my conſcience accuſeth me, my memory gives evidence againſt me, and my reaſon condemneth me; my ſpirit is weary of this bondage, and I have bid my life farewel. *My* conſcience is clogged; when I behold the bloody wounds of my Soul, the voice of joy and mirth is gone from me: I am deeply plunged in diſcomfort: I have neither worth to appeaſe thy wrath, nor patience to endure thy indignation: I pray thee therefore ſend the comfort of thy holy Spirit into my heart, and ſtrengthen my Faith, that I be not ſwallowed up with over-much heavineſs. O

Lord,

Lord, let thy majeſty appear in thy mercy; forgive my Sins, the unhappy ground of all this woe, and I am recovered of all mine infirmities. Try not the Law with me, leſt I come to Judgment; ſanctify all thoſe good means unto me wherein I ſeek relief, as Prayer, Conference, Reading and hearing of thy Holy Word; moderate and mitigate my vexation, encreaſe faith, eſtabliſh hope, grant patience, and keep me from deſpair: Take away this Cup from me, if it be thy Will, if not, ſuffer me not to be tempted above my ſtrength.

I have an humbled and contrite heart, (O Lord) look upon me; I go mourning all the day long, and am like unto him that is at the point to die; O Lord comfort me; thou that will not break a bruiſed Reed, ſpare me; thou that delighteſt not in the death of a Sinner, revive me. Tho' my heart condemn me, yet good Lord, thou that art greater than my heart, acquit me, relieve me, releaſe me, and ſay unto my Soul, *I am thy Salvation.* Hearken, Lord, unto my Prayer, and grant me my Requeſts, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, Amen.

The Sick Man's Prayer.

Job. 1. 21. *Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked ſhall I return thither.*

O Loving Lord, and moſt holy Father, I poor Wretch, thy Servant, feeling in

in this Sickneſs which thou haſt laid upon me, the puniſhment of that corruption and tranſgreſſion that is in me, and all Fleſh, do moſt willingly ſubmit my ſelf to thy holy Ordinance, to bear this Croſs, and to taſte of this bitter Cup, which I have deſerved, and much more: So that I may follow thee whither thou art gone.

Therefore (O Lord) ſince thou haſt not yet called me to the Bar of Death, but ſent thy Heraulds to ſummon me to a Tryal; I beſeech thee look on me with thine eye of merciful pity, and help me in this day of Viſitation: Pour out thine Oyl of Grace into my wounded Conſcience, purge my defiled Soul, forgive me all my ſins; and give me competent comfort and conſolation in this diſtreſs. Let me not die e'er I begin to live; give me time to repent, and occaſion to amend. But if thou wilt needs put any more of thy Wine of Correction into my feſtered ſores, lay no more (O Lord) upon me than I ſhall be able to bear; make good unto me that goodneſs, which thou haſt granted me under the great Seal of thy Promiſe. Supply my want, pardon my ſins, and arm me againſt all temptations.

I offer here unto thee (O Lord) a penitent heart for the time paſt, and promiſe, through thy Grace, amendment, if it ſhall pleaſe thee to draw out the thred of my

Life

Life any longer, yet neither desire I the continuance of this mortality, nor a more speedy deliverance, otherwise than as thou wilt: Lord look not on my merits, for they are either none or not good; not upon my Life, for it hath been naught; but look upon Christ thy dear Son, who, from the Altar of the Cross, cried unto thee on my behalf, & accept his satisfaction for my sins.

Arm me with patience to take up my Cross and follow thee, even to bear thy Visitation willingly; and give me strength by faith, to resist the Adversary in the brunt of Temptations. With my sorrow and pain increase thy Grace, that when I am in my greatest Agony, I may find comfort; believing and saying, with the holy Prophet, *My flesh faileth, and my heart also: But God is the strength of my heart and my portion for ever.* O Lord, if thy Decree be gone forth, as it was to *Hezekiah*, that I shall die, and not live; give me Grace to put my House in order, that I may depart with the more peace: and when the pangs of Death have shut up the eyes of my body, and taken away the use of my tongue (I beseech thee) let the eyes of my Soul still be open, and look upon thee, so that when I shall leave the Earth to the Earth, and my Body to the Grave, thine Angels may carry up my Soul into Heaven, and I may be partaker of a joyful Resurrection, thro' Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

A Prayer to be said at the point of Death.

O Lord, my time is at hand, my Soul is heavy even unto Death: Look down upon me; pour thine Oyl of Grace into my Heart, pardon my Sins, ſtrengthen my Faith, ſhorten my Pains, and drive away Satan: Help me in this Conflict. Look upon thy Chriſt, he is my Saviour and Redeemer; Come Lord Jeſus, welcome; into thy Hands I commend my Soul; take it (O Lord) take me the work of thy own Hands; and let me die in thy fear, and riſe again in thy favour, that I may come to thy Bliſs, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, Amen.

Supplications
OF
SAINTS.

The Fourth Part.

MOSES's Song.

Exod. 15. 1.

Then ſang Moſes, and the Children of Iſrael, unto the Lord.

BERNARD.

Gratiarum aſcenſus, Gratiæ decenſus.

The ſending up of Thanks, is the fetching down of Grace.

This Part containeth divers Thankſgivings and Graces.

A general Thanksgiving to be used by all Men at all times,.

Psal. 86. 12, 13. *I will praise thee O Lord my God with all my heart and will glorify thy Name for evermore. For great is thy mercy towards me!*

O Blessed Lord, and ever-living God, whose mercy is over all thy Works, and of whose Fulness we have all received grace for grace; I poor Samaritan that have been holpen, healed, and honoured by thy holy hand, do pour forth my heart unto thee, that I may neither ungratefully remember thy benefits, nor ungraciously forget thy severe Judgments, who both in the one and the other hast been beyond all measure so gracious unto me. I thank thee O Lord, for all the external and internal Graces bestowed upon me, the Spiritual and corporeal, the celestial and terrestrial Blessings which I have received.

And in earthly Matters, O Lord, I acknowledge my self deeply bound under thee, for my being, breathing, life and motion, that thou hast made me of a more noble Nature than the rest of the Creatures, created me after thine own Image, enduing me with reason, furnishing me with excellent faculties of mind, and perfect sense.

And I give thee thanks, O Lord, that thou

thou haſt given me a body ſound, and ſo free from great infirmities, and haſt ſet me in a Calling ſo fit for my condition, and given me ſuch a competent Eſtate; that thou haſt preſerved me from ſo many harms, in ſuch dangerous accidents; as in Sickneſs, Thunder, Lightning, Plague, Peſtilence, Fire and Water; and from the aſſaults of Thieves and Robbers by Sea and Land, attempted or intended againſt my body, houſe, or goods; and delivered me out of ſo many troubles and vexations as I have fallen into.

O Lord, how am I bound unto thee, that thou haſt ſent me many kind Friends, and that I live in ſuch honeſt Reputation among my Neighbours; that I have ſuch liberty of ſuch ſeemly Recreation, ſuch quietneſs of Life, ſuch opportunities of well-doing; and thy Angels by thine appointment, to protect and ſafe-guard me in all my ways.

Theſe things (O Lord) I enjoy though unworthy, by thy goodneſs; whereas there be many that have not found the like favour at thy hands, bleſſed be thy Name therefore: And yet, O Lord, thou haſt been much more gracious unto me, thy ſpiritual Favour, and thy celeſtial Bleſſings exceed all theſe. Therefore, as I am bound, ſo much more I bleſs thee that thou didſt elect me before all Worlds to Glory: that thou didſt work my Redemption

demption by the blood of Christ Jesus in his bitter Passion, that I was born in the Light of the Gospel, to know thee, and through Sanctification in thee, have had the grace to take upon me the profession of the Truth, to abandon all Superstition and Heresie, to do good to any, and to do any thing that may do good, either publick or private, and in some measure to keep my self unspotted from the World.

Oh! what shall I give unto my Lord, that hath done so great and mighty things for me? O Lord, I give thee thanks that thou hast given me such an honourable calling and vocation of Christianity, and that thou hast incorporated me a Member of the Church, giving me such a gracious portion of Faith, Hope, Love, Zeal, Patience, Peace, Joy, the beginnings of Regeneration.

What am I (O Lord) that thou hast granted me such things? to receive such profit by the preaching of thy Word, and the priviledg of thy blessed Sacrament? to be washed with thy blood, to sit at thy Table, and to feed on thee the everlasting Bread?

These I thank thee for; and for these also, even for my part which I have in the Communion of Saints, for the benefit which I have of their Prayers in the Church Militant, the aid of their Counsels, with the pleasure and Comfort of their Examples for the betterring of my Life; that thou hast given me a care to use a good

good Conſcience in dealing in this World, and an earneſt deſire to continue ſo ſtill, yea rather to grow better.

Neither can I forget (O Lord) thy mercy and patience towards me, that thou haſt granted me ſo long and ſo large a time of Repentance, and haſt vouchſafed me herein to have thy Son Jeſus Chriſt for my Mediator, by whoſe interceſſion my Prayers have acceſs unto thee, and receive their happy Anſwers.

I praiſe thee, I glorifie thee, I worſhip thee, I magnifie thy bleſſed Name. O Lord, by whoſe goodneſs I want nothing fit for a Chriſtian, nor any thing that may fit me for Heaven; where I thank thee for making ſo glorious a proviſion, and ſuch a glorious preparation for my Soul in Heaven, whither I beſeech thee to bring me, O my God, in thy due time, and in the mean time to continue thy goodneſs unto me, for Jeſus Chriſt his ſake, my only Saviour and Redeemer, Amen.

A Thankſgiving for the Delivery of the King's Majeſty, and the State of Parliament, from the Gun-Powder-Treaſon, Nov. 5. An. 1605.

Pſal. 30. 12. *For this ſhall every good man ſing of thy praiſe; O my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.*

O Almighty God, great in mercy, and Wonderful in Judgment, who by the

the instinct of Nature, and charge in holy Scripture, hast taught us, that great deliverances ought to have perpetual Remembrances; we miserable Sinners, whose corrupt Nature and vile Actions, have deserved by extraordinary punishments to be made a spectacle to the World, and to Angels, and to Men, do humbly acknowledge thy love and long-sufferance, in delivering us from many heavy Judgments which might justly have been brought upon us and our chiefest delights.

O Lord, we have heard with our Ears, & our Fathers have declared unto us what thou didst in former times for this Kingdom, and Nation, Prince and People, how thou didst defeat the force of the Enemies Armies; and subdue open Rebellion, and put by the shot of Dag, and prevent the stab of Dagger, and overthrow the invincible *Armado*. And now Lord, for us, the Father to the Children, and old to young, shall report how thou didst discover and disappoint that woful Tragedy, bloody Massacre, and remedilesse Destruction, which was ready to be brought upon us and our nation, by thine and our Enemies, the Abettors and Worshippers in the Church of *Rome*.

O Lord, we tremble to think upon it; how unjustly they intended to take us away before our time, by secret conveying of fearful Gun-Powder covered with Iron,

Iron, Wood and Coals, ready to put fire under a dark Vault under the Houſe of Parliament, a place of State, againſt a preſent ſitting.

O God, we were without all means to fore-know ſuch a Miſery, and without all judgment to underſtand ſuch a Miſery, hadſt not thou of thy great love to true Religion, and mercy to us, given means to diſcover it to us; Yea, thou in thy power didſt make their own Pens covertly to deſcribe it, and with thy Spirit didſt inſpire the heart of our King juſtly to ſuſpect it, whereby it was revealed: Thou art our God, and our hearts ſhall be thy habitation, our Fathers God, and we will exalt thee.

O Lord, if this had not been, we had been blown up, we had been ſmothered, we had been diſmembred, we had been perſecuted; we had been undone, all and ſome, fearing thy Name, thy poor Commonalty, the worthy Gentry, the judicious Lawyer, the reverend Judge, the true Nobility, the learned Clergy, and the ſacred Council of our King; yea, our King and his Queen, and all the Royal Progeny, the moſt honourable Aſſembly of Chriſtendom, ſitting in their State, for the continuance of thy Truth, and good of the Realm.

Wherefore, good Lord, ſeeing thou didſt bring us to the Grave's mouth, but

haſt not given us over to Death, we have imprinted in our minds the horror of the Danger, and excited in our Souls due Thankfulneſs for the Reſcue; and therefore we praiſe thee, we bleſs thee, we worſhip thee, we glorifie thee; and all humble thanks, honour and power, we aſcribe unto thee, for this thy gracious Preſervation. And we beſeech thee, O Lord, ſtill to lend thy helping hand to this Kingdom, and thy aſſiſtance, to the Goſpel, and ever bleſs the Perſons and Conſultations of that high Court with holineſs and ſafety, that we may enjoy our Lives and Livings, our Religion, our King and Queen, and their Off-ſpring after them in proſperity, to our Comfort and thy Glory, to whom we offer our ſelves, our ſouls and bodies, to be at thy ſervice for ever and ever, Amen.

A Comprehenſive Prayer

MOſt Glorious and Eternal Lord God, who art of purer eyes than to behold the leaſt iniquity with the leaſt approbation; we thy poor Creatures do confeſs that we are vile and miſerable Sinners; being conceived in ſin; by nature Children of wrath and Tranſgreſſors from the womb. All we like ſheep have gone aſtray, and turned every one to his own way. Thou madeſt us, not we our

our ſelves; and bleſſed be thy Holy Name, thou haſt been very gracious to us, giving us many comforts of this life, and the means to bring us to eternal life; but tho' we ſhould have glorified thee with our ſouls and bodies, as being thine; and whatſoever we did ſhould have been done to thy glory, and to pleaſe thee, in the obeying of thy will; yet we have diſpleaſed and diſhonoured thee, and turned from thee; exalting, ſeeking, and pleaſing our ſelves. Thou art the King of all the World, and thy Laws are holy, juſt and good; But we have denied thee our due Subjection and Obedience, being unruly and ſelf-willed, minding the things of the Fleſh, and making proviſion for its luſt: We have ſtaggered at thy word through unbelief, and have not fully placed our truſt and hope in thee; we have rather feared Man that is duſt, and can but kill the body, than thee, that canſt deſtroy both ſoul and body in Hell. Thou art infinitely good, and Love it ſelf, yet have we not fully taken thee for our portion, nor loved thee with all our hearts, and ſouls, and might, nor made thee our full deſire and delight.

But we have inordinately loved our ſelves, and the World, and the things of the World and lived by Senſe when we ſhould have lived by Faith; and ca-

red and laboured for the Food that periſheth, when we ſhould have laboured for the one thing needful, and that which endureth to everlaſting Life; we have been ſlothful Servants yielding to Temptation, aſhamed of our Duty, loſing our precious time; when we ſhould have been fervent in Spirit, ſerving the Lord, cleaving to thee with full reſolution, redeeming the time, and with Diligence making ſure our Calling and Election. We have not with due Holineſs and Reverence drawn near thee, and uſed thy holy Name, thy Worſhip, and thy Day; we have diſhonoured and diſobeyed our Superiors, and neglected our Inferiors, we have been guilty of not loving our Neighbours as our ſelves, and not doing to others as we would they ſhould do unto us; but have ſought for our own againſt their welfare, not forbearing and forgiving, not loving our Enemies as we ought, not following Peace, nor ſtudying to do good to all, according to our Power. We have ſinned ſecretly and openly, in thought, word and deed, ignorantly and preſumptuouſly, in paſſion, and upon deliberation, againſt thy Precepts, Promiſes, and Threats: againſt thy Mercies and thy Judgments; under thy patience, and in thy ſight; againſt our Conſciences, our Purpoſes and our Covenants: When we were haſting to Death and Judgment, for which, through all our lives, we ſhould have prepared.

pared. Thou haſt commended thy wonderful love towards us, in giving thy Son to die for Sinners, to reconcile us to thee, while we were Enemies; and all things being made ready, thou haſt ſent thy Meſſengers to invite us to come in, preaching to us the glad Tidings of Salvation, and freely offering us Pardon, and Life in Jeſus Chriſt; but we have made light of it, and made excuſes, or too long delays, undervaluing our Redeemer, his Blood and Merits, his offered Grace, and endleſs Glory, rejecting his holy Doctrine and Example, reſiſting his Spirit, Miniſters and Word. We have ſinned, O Lord, againſt thee, and againſt our own Souls, and are not worthy to be called thy Children: We have deſerved everlaſting Wrath; to us belongs Confuſion, but mercy and forgiveneſs unto thee. Have mercy upon us, O God, according to the multitude of thy mercies; Heal our Soul that have ſinned againſt thee, and enter not into Judgment with thy Servants: Hide thy face from our ſins, and blot out all our iniquities. Caſt us not away from thy preſence, and avenge not upon us the quarrel of thy Covenant. Waſh us in the Blood of the Lamb of God, who taketh away the ſins of the World. Accept us in thy beloved Son, who was made a Curſe for us, and was wounded for our Tranſgreſſions. Turn us, O God, of our Salvation, and cauſe thy face to

ſhine upon us. Give us repentance unto Life, cauſe us to loath our ſelves for all the evils that we have committed, Give us that broken and contrite Spirit, which thou wilt not deſpiſe. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right ſpirit within us. Take out of us the old and ſtrong heart, give us the ſpirit of thy Son, and be our God, and let us be thy People. Enlighten our Underſtandings, to know the wonderful things of thy Law, the dimenſions of thy love in Chriſt, the myſteries of thy Kingdom, and the riches of the glory of thy Inheritance in the Saints, and that we may approve the things that are excellent, and may eſcape the ſnares of the Devil, and may hate every falſe way. Shed abroad thy love in our hearts by thy holy Spirit, and cauſe us ſo to love thee, that nothing may ſeparate us from thy Love. Put thy fear into our hearts, that nothing may ever part us from thee: Cauſe us to ſeek firſt thy Kingdom, and thy Righteouſneſs, and (as thoſe that are riſen with Chriſt) to ſeek the things that are above, and to lay up a treaſure in Heaven: and let our hearts and converſations be there. Mortifie our earthly inclinations and deſires; crucifie the World to us, and us unto the World, by the Croſs of Chriſt. Cauſe us to live by Faith, and look at the things that are unſeen, and uſe the World as not over-uſing it, ſeeing the faſhion of

it paſſeth away; ſtriving to enter in at the ſtrait Gate, and running ſo as to obtain; let us no longer live the reſt of our time to the luſt of men, but to the Will of God, ſtudying in all things to pleaſe thee, and to be accepted of thee; Let us not ſeek our own Wills, but the Will of him that called us: Yea, let us delight to do thy Will, O God; let our delight be in thy Law, and let us meditate therein day and night; cauſe us to deny ungodlineſs and worldly Luſts, and to live ſoberly and righteouſly, and godly in this preſent World; as obedient Children, not faſhioning our ſelves to the former luſts of our ignorance; but, as he that hath called us is holy, let us be holy in all manner of Converſation. Cauſe us to love one another with a pure heart, fervently forbearing and forgiving one another: If any have a quarrel againſt any, even as Chriſt forgave us, ſo do ye. Give us the wiſdom which is firſt pure, and then peaceable. In our eyes let a vile perſon be contemned, but let us honour them that fear the Lord. Cauſe us to walk circumſpectly without offence, and to be zealous of good Works, to love our Enemies, and not to give place to Wrath, and in patience to poſſeſs our Souls. Help us to deny our ſelves, and to take up our Croſs and follow Chriſt, eſteeming his reproach to be greater riches than the Treaſures of the World, that having ſuffered with him, we may alſo be glorified with him. Tho'

Tho' we muſt be tempted, help us to overcome and be faithful unto the death, and then let us receive that Crown of Life. Abound in goodneſs and mercy to all thy People. Exalt the Throne of thy Son, and pull down the Power of Satan. Bleſs all Chriſtian Kings and Governors, cauſing them to rule in thy Faith, Fear and Love, and to become great Inſtruments for the good of the World. Support the ſorrowful, and deliver the diſtreſſed. Do for us, ours, and the whole *Iſrael* of God, more than we can ask or think, in and through our Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt, to whom with thee O Father, and thy holy and bleſſed Spirit, be all honour and praiſe, love and ſervice, now and evermore, Amen.

A Prayer.

O Eternal and Almighty Lord God, who doſt from thy Throne behold all the Dwellers upon Earth, hating ſin, but not deſiring the Death of a Sinner: what are we vile Creatures, ſinful duſt and aſhes, that we ſhould draw near ſo holy a God as thou art? We are a lump of ſin, a maſs of Corruption a ſeed of evil doers. We have ſinned againſt thee, O Lord, Oh how wickedly have we done? From the corrupt fountain of our hearts have continually iſſued forth ſuch poyſonous ſtreams as have infected thoſe about us with impurity, We

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are condemned of our ſelves, having given heed to Vanity and Lies, and walked at a diſtance from thee, and the things of our own peace. We have been convinced of our Duties, and have not done them; of our Sins, and have not left them. Sin and the World hath ſo blinded our Judgments, that we have not diſcerned our own good, ſo that we have been willing to be miſerable, and unwilling to be happy. We have not firmly believed thy Goſpel, nor owned Chriſt in all his Offices, nor approached thy preſence with due reverence. We have ſtrayed from thy ways, and followed the devices of our own hearts; we have committed the evil thou condemneſt, and omitted the good which thou haſt commanded; we have deſpiſed thy Counſel, contemned thy Mercy, and turned our backs both upon thy Law and Goſpel; we have ſwelled with Pride, been unprofitable in Converſe, neither been thankful for benefits, nor improved by means or afflictions. All our ſeeming goodneſs, like the Morning-dew hath ſoon paſſed a way; we have not longed for Communion with thee, nor ſtriv'd as we ought againſt our luſts, nor been ſincere in our performance; nor ſighed for the abomination committed againſt thee. We have no ways ſerved the ends for which thou didſt create, and haſt preſerved us: We have committed Iniquity with a high hand, not fearing thee,

but making our faces harder than a Rock, as tho'we would reproach the Lord, and as if we were at an agreement with Hell.

O how juſtly mayeſt thou for all our abominations puniſh us with everlaſting deſtruction from thy preſence: but ſpare us good Lord, according to the greatneſs of thy Mercy, and deal not with us after our Sins. Look upon our Mediator and his Redemption, and in the multitude of thy Mercies waſh away all our ſins with his blood; ſay unto us, *Be of good chear, your ſins are forgiven you:* and, O give us ſound Repentance, that we may recover our Souls out of the ſnare of the Devil. Open thou our eyes, and ſo order our ſteps, that we may walk in the path of thy Commandments.

Let us not from henceforth walk as the Gentiles who are alienated from the Life of God, thro' the ignorance that is in them, but to put off, concerning the old Converſation, the old Man, which is corrupt according to deceitful Luſts, and to be renewed in the Spirit of our minds, putting on the new man, which after God is created in Righteouſneſs and true holineſs. Teach us always to do the things which pleaſe thee, and not to do any thing which may make our hearts to ach. Let our rejoycing be this, even the teſtimony of our Conſciences, that in ſimplicity and godly

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ſincerity, we have had our converſation in the World. From Pride, Hypocriſy, Malice, Uncharitableneſs, blindneſs of Mind, and contempt of thy Word, good Lord deliver us. Cleanſe us from our ſecret faults, keep back thy Servants alſo from preſumptuous ſins; teach us to live by Faith, to diſregard the World, and to be more reſolute againſt Temptations. Keep us by thy power through Faith unto Salvation, and let us do from our hearts, whatever thou commandeſt us, grant us to ſeek thy glory, to be vile in our own eyes, to deny our corrupt inclinations, and to ſubmit both to what thou appointeſt, and to what thou approveſt. Let our converſation be without covetouſneſs, that we may be content with ſuch things as we have. O grant that we may walk worthy of the Lord unto all well-pleaſing, being fruitful in every good work, and encreaſing in the knowledge of God; make us quiet & uſeful in the World; doing to others as we would that they ſhould do to us: Let us no longer be lovers of Pleaſure, more than lovers of God. Give us to poſſeſs our Veſſels in Sanctification and Honour, to prepare for Sickneſs, Death, and Judgment; to abound in Patience, Meekneſs, and Temperance, and to hold on in thy ways unto the end of our days. We ſinners do beſeech thee to hear us, and to write thy Laws in our hearts, and to ſettle us firmly in thy ſervice: Give

us true thankfulneſs for all Mercies, Spiritual & Temporal, Perſonal & National: And herein we bleſs thee, that when theſe Kingdoms of England, Scotland and Ireland, were under great trouble and the Sword, thou didſt not give us over to Famine, Peſtilence, and all kind of calamity; but didſt quietly bring us to Peace, when thou mighteſt have utterly deſtroyed us for our ſins: And ſeeing thou haſt pleaſed ſo mercifully and remarkably to give unto us, thy Servants, our moſt Gracious Lord and Sovereign, King *William*; O God write a Law of thankfulneſs upon His Heart, and give Him to walk in thy way, to defend thy Faith, and to ſeek thy Glory; bleſs Him in this World and, in the World to come: Be gracious to KATHERINE the Queen *Dowager Anne* Princeſs of *Denmark*, with all the Royal Family; enrich them with thy heavenly Grace, proſper them with all Happineſs, and crown them with endleſs Favours: Counſel His Majeſties Counſellors, make the Judges juſt, honour the Nobility and Gentry with Wiſdom and Vertue, cauſe inferior Magiſtrates to execute good Laws; let the Miniſters of thy word be faithful Labourers in thy Vineyard; give to the whole Commonality of this Land, religious hearts towards thee, loyal hearts towards the King, and loving hearts to one another; and ſo let grace and Tranquility be continued

tinued to us and future Generations. Which Bleſſing, with whatever elſe thou in thy *infinite Wiſdom* knoweſt neceſſary for us, we pray thee grant, for the ſake alone of thy only Son our Saviour Jeſus Chriſt, in whoſe bleſſed Name and Words we continue praying, as he hath taught us ſaying, *Our Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our Treſpaſſes, as we forgive them that Treſpaſs againſt us. And lead us not into Temptation, but deliver us from Evil: for thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory, for ever and ever* Amen.

The Hymn appointed by the Church to be ſaid or ſung after the holy Communion, turned into ordinary Verſe of the Pſalms.

Pſalm xviij.

ALL Glory be to God on high,
And Peace on Earth likewiſe:
Good will to'ards men eternally,
By Chriſt his Sacrifice.
O God the Father, heavenly King,
We praiſe and worſhip thee;
We glorify thee, we give thanks,
O Lord for thy great Glory.
O Lord, Lord O Jeſus Chriſt,
The Father's only Son,

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Only Begot, the Wiſdom true,
By whom all things were done.
O Lamb of God that tak'ſt away,
All the ſins of the world,
By guiltleſs Death on curſed Croſs,
Have mercy on us, Lord;
O thou that tak'ſt away the ſins
And Errors of the world.
By guiltleſs Death on curſed Croſs,
Have mercy on us, Lord;
O thou that tak'ſt away the ſins
And Errors of the world,
By guiltleſs Death on curſed Croſs,
Receive our Prayers, Lord.
O thou that ſit'ſt on God's Right-hand,
The Father Eternal,
And doſt our weakneſs underſtand,
Have mercy on us all:
For thou only deſerv'ſt the Name
Of *Iſrael*'s Holy One;
Thou Holy art, thou art the Lord,
Thou, even thou alone:
And thou only, O Jeſu Chriſt,
Thou, with the Holy Ghoſt,
In Glory of the Father, art
Moſt high, advanced moſt. *Amen.*

Short Graces for Thankſgivings for the Table, to be uſed in private Sittings, and publick Meetings, by Children and others.

Before Meat.

ALmighty Lord, who, with thy Bleſſing, fill'eſt every want; and, who, of

of thy Bounty, feedeſt both man and beaſt: Bleſs us, and theſe thy Creatures which thou haſt now appointed to be Food for our ſinful Bodies, that, as they are manifeſt tokens of thy Providence towards us, ſo they may be wholeſome Nouriſhments for our Weakneſs, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord and Saviour, Amen.

After Meat.

ALmighty God, which haſt mercifully heard our Prayers, and at this preſent liberally fed us, we give thee humble thanks for thy goodneſs, beſeeching thee ſo to direct us, from henceforth, with thy Grace, that, after this Life, we may be partakers of thy heavenly Table, thro' Jeſus Chriſt our Lord and Saviour, Amen.

Before Meat.

ALmighty God, on whom all eyes attend, and receive what is fit for them, in due ſeaſon, we beſeech thee to bleſs theſe things which thou haſt now given unto us for Meat; and let the Dew of thy Grace ſtrengthen them for our Nouriſhment; thy Mercy pardon our Sins, and thy holy Hand defend us from all Evil, this time and for evermore, Amen.

After Meat.

O Lord God, which haſt now given us power to eat of the fruit of our labours, and plentifully filled us with thy hidden Treaſure, receive our Thanks, and grant us that ſacred Hunger and Thirſt after Righteouſneſs. Give us the peace of a good Conſcience, a true Faith, charitable Minds, and Love unfeigned one towards another, for Jeſus Chriſt's ſake, our Lord, Amen.

Before Meat.

O Heavenly Father, without whoſe Mercy the moſt Provident hath not a morſel of Bread, and of whoſe goodneſs cometh the Royal Banquet of *Darius*, and all other Abundance; we confeſs that thou haſt here given us more than we can deſerve, and we beſeech thee to remove from us all abuſe of thy Gifts; that our hearts and minds being ſanctified to Moderation and Sobriety, we may only eat to live, and living, labour to attain the Bread of Life, for the ſuſtenation and ſalvation of our Souls, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord and Saviour, Amen.

After Meat.

O Heavenly Father, tho' we eat and drink, yet our Life ſtandeth not in

in that abundance: We bleſs thy holy Name for thy goodneſs, beſeeching thee to bleſs every one of us in our ſeveral Vocations, to knit our hearts unto thee, that we may fear thy Name; to remove thy Judgments which we have deſerved, and at laſt give us Life everlaſting, thro' Jeſus Chriſt our Lord, *Amen.*

Before Meat

O Lord Jeſus, who for the comfort and relief of the Company at *Cana* in *Galilee*, didſt not only adorn it with thy gracious Preſence, but alſo turnedſt Water into Wine: Be preſent we beſeech thee, among us here; bleſs our Meats and Drinks, which are the Gifts of thy Liberality, that we uſing them with Moderation and Thankſgiving; they may become wholeſome Nouriſhments to our mortal Bodies. Amen.

After Meat

O Lord Jeſus, the Celeſtial Bridegroom of the Univerſal Church, bleſſed be thy Name for this our Friendly Meeting, and all other Comforts both of our Bodies and Souls: Bleſs this Day's Work, thy holy Ordinance in thy Servants, forgive us all our Sins, and make us thankful for thy Benefits, and hopeful of thy Mercies, and fearful of thy Judgments this day and evermore. Amen.

Before

Before Meat

O Gracious God, which didst multiply the small provision of the poor Widdow at *Sarepta*, and madest wholesome the dangerous Meat of thy Children at *Gilgal*, mercifully supply all our Wants, increase and bless our Store, and grant us thy Grace all the days of our life, thro' Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, Amen.

After Meat.

O Gracious God, who only art able, as to make a great Harvest of few Grains, so a great Feast of few Loaves; We give thee thanks that thou hast thus satisfied us with so small provision; beseeching thee to continue thy powerful assistance to us; that in this life we may always have a competent stay for our Bodies and in the life to come, a permanent Kingdom for body and soul, through Jesus Christ our only Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Before Meat

THe Bread of Life, the Staff of Bread,
God grants us all that daily need,
The Staff of Bread to hold this Life,
The Bread of Life our Souls to feed;
The Bread of Life is Christ our Lord;

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The Lamb of God, the Spring of Good,
The Staff of Bread Chriſt doth afford,
By putting ſtrength into our Food;
O bleſſed Bread, dear God, Life's Lord,
Bleſs all that's at, and on this Board.

After Meat.

GOD gave Elias Meat at firſt,
And *Iſrael* Manna in Deſert wild,
The People that did follow Chriſt,
His Miracle in Mercy fill'd:
And when we want, we ſeek and find,
And what we have increaſed more,
Our Meat ſufficing to our mind,
Where God doth give and bleſs the ſtore.
Bleſſed be God that hath our hunger ſtaid,
And giv'n us every one our daily Bread.

Before Meat.

AS did Elias weary in his way,
And Chriſt our Lord, ſo oft as he did eat;
So let us ask of God, deſire and pray,
To guide our hearts and ways, and bleſs our meat. Amen.

After Meat.

GOD that Elias by the Raven fed,
And nouriſht *Daniel* in the Lions Den;
And filled thouſands with five loaves of Bread,
And us hath ſatisfied, be praiſed, Amen.

A *Supplication of the Author for all.*

O Eternal Majeſty, *a* unto whom all fleſh ſhall come, which ſeeſt that *b* we know not what,

a Iſa. 65. 63.

b Reg. 8. 28.

what to pray for as we ought, yet haſt *c* accepted theſe my weak and worthileſs Meditations, to conceive and bring forth theſe continual *d* Supplications and Prayers, and Thankſgivings, *e* bleſſed be thy Name, *f* Glory be to thee, and *g* thanks for thine unſpeakable Gift: And I humbly beſeech thee, when any of thy dear Saints ſhall *h* bow their *i* knees to thy Majeſty, *k* lifting up their hands toward the holy Oracle, and *l* opening their mouths to beg thy favour, then O thou *m* God of Glory, *n* the Father of Mercies, *o* hear thou in Heaven thy Dwelling-place, and do according to all that they ſhall call unto thee for, and let the *p* Angel of thy Covenant, thy Son Jeſus Chriſt, *q* offer the holy Incenſe with their Prayers before thee, *r* O thou Preſerver of Men, and the holy Ghoſt thy Spirit, *ſ* help their Infirmities in their Prayers, and make Interceſſion for them, O Lord, *t* grant Peace unto *Iſrael*, *v* ſend help unto *Jacob*, *x* hear theſe Prayers and Supplications, *O Lord my God*, Amen, and Amen.

c Pſal. 19, 24.
d 1 Theſ. 5.
e Jphn, 1.
f Prov. 11.
g 1 Cor. 9. 15
h Col. 1. 2.
i Eph. 3. 14
k Pſal. 1. 8.
l Jud. 1. 25.
m Acts 1. 3.
n 1 Cor. 1. 3.
o 1 Kin. 8. 13.
p Mal. 3. 1.
q Apoc. 3.
r Job. 7.
ſ Rom. 8.
t Pſal 15. 5.
v Pſal. 114.
x 1 Kings 8.

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